Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Ligon S1998 VA
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State of Tennessee

Smith County Court August A. D. 1832

This day being the 28 day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before John Chambers Soloman Deban & W. G. Garison the court of said county William Ligon a resident of said county of Smith, aged seventy seven years, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 That he entered the service of the united state under Captain Jessee Owen [Jesse Owen] in Prince Edward county & state of Virginia for six months; that the troops assembled near Hilsboro, No. Carrolina [sic: Hillsborough, North Carolina] and marched from thence to South Carrolina and was in the battle at Gates defeat [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates near Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780]; that to the best of his recollection he was attached to Gen. Stephens Division or Briggade of Militia [sic: Brigadier General Edward Stevens Virginia Militia Brigade]. He entered the service in June 1780 and was discharg the last of November or first of December following, but his discharge for this tour is either lost or mislaid so that it cannot be found; that he knows of no person now living by whom he can prove this tour of six months. He further states that he served an other tour of three months; that he entered the service where he lived in Prince Edward County Virginia in the month of June 1781 under Captain James Allen; that the troops assembled at Williamsburg Virginia, and marched from thence in different directions in pursuit of the Brittish; that he was discharged on the 22nd day of September following (1781) as will appear from the discharge herewith annexed [not found]. That he acted as Sargent in both tours and was discharged as such.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

William Legon

[Certified by Miles West and John Ligon.]