Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Primm S35034
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District of Maryland, Washington County SS

On this ninth day of May in the year 1818 before me the subscriber Chief Judge of the 5th Judicial district of the State of Maryland composed of the Counties of Frederick, Washington and Allegheny personally appeared James Primm aged about sixty-four years a resident in Washington County in the district aforesaid, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War – That he the said James Primm enlisted in the [indecipherable word] of February 1776 in Stafford County in the State of Virginia and Captain William Washington's Company for two years, remained in Virginia with the Company until following when he went to New York Colonel Hugh Mercer [several words written over and indecipherable] commanded the Regiment he belonged to, afterwards Colonel Weaten [perhaps a mistaken reference to Colonel George Weedon] who was promoted and the command devolved on Colonel Marshall [Thomas Marshall]², that he the said James Primm was discharged at Valley Forge on the 4th of February 1778 by General Woodford [William Woodford], that he has not now his discharge. That during the term of his service he was at the Battles of Trenton [December 26, 1776] and Brandywine [September 11, 1777] after his discharge he was appointed a Captain in the Militia in the State of Virginia and was out several times on short tours until the end of the war – that he is in reduced Circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for Support and that he has no other evidence of his services now in his power.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Jno. Buchanan

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing Made 9th, 1818, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[Note: See also James Primm VAS283. They MAY be one and the same man.]

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² these officers succeeded each other in the command of the 3rd Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment