## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Benjamin Chappell S38599 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 12 Oct 2018.

New Kent county State of Virginia to wit:

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1818 personally appears before us justices of the peace and judges of the county court of New Kent af'd. Benjamin Chappell aged 62 years resident in county of New Kent in the State of Virginia, who being by us first duly swon according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by a 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 s'd. Benjamin Chappell enlisted in the company commanded by Capt. John Flemming [sic: John Fleming BLWt409-400] in the first Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, at Williamsburg in the State of Virginia in the month of August 1776 for three years under the command of Col. Rich'd. Parker [Richard Parker]. That he continued to serve in said corps or in the service of the United States until the expiration of said term of enlistment when he was discharg'd from service near Stoney Point [sic: Stony Point] in the State of New York. That he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777], Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], and Mud Island Fort [Siege of Fort Mifflin on Mud Island, 10 Oct - 15 Nov 1777], and that he is in reduc'd circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support – and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

Henerico [sic: Henrico] County November the 22<sup>nd</sup> 1811

I do hereby certify that Benjamin Chappell inlisted in the Continental service in the year of 1776 for the term of one year, the said year he servd in virginia. in the year of 76 he reinlisted again for the term of three years the said three years he the said Chappell served in the notherd [northward] states i was a soldier with him and believe he servd his time faithfully in the 1st virginia regiment.

John Longes

John Longest [R6433]

Henerico County Novber the 22 1811

This is to certify that I know Benjamin Chappell serv'd 4 years in the american revolutionary War as a regular Soldier. In the 1 est virginia regiment one year in Virginia and three to the notherd. I believe he serv'd a faithfull soldiership.

Richard Allen [S1784]

Henerico County November 22<sup>d</sup> 1811

I do hereby certify that Benjamin Chappell serv'd 4 years in the continental service as a regular soldier in the first Virginia regiment I servd with him in one Company and regiment the said term of 4 years above mentioned i in inlisted in the year 1775 under said Captain John fleming of Goochland county belonging to the first virginia regiment for the term of one year myself and Mr Chappell servd our said time in virginia we reinlisted again at williamsburgh for the term of three years to go to the notherd about the month of august in 76 under the said Captain John fleming we march'd out to the notherd where Mr Chappell and myself served our said three years under the said officers that Mr Chappell hath afore

mentioned and in the year of 1779 was Discharg'd I believe, at the Valley Forge in the state of Newjersie [sic: see endnote] George hisXmark Brooks

I am a virginia bornd in the County of New Knt and since a resident of said County and i do hereby Certify that i have serv'd the term of 4 years a regular soldier in the continental service or in the american revolutionary war in the 1sst virginia regiment in the month of august 1775 i inlisted in virginia for the term of one year i was recruited by reubin whitlock [Reuben Whitlock] the recruiting officer under Captain John fleming of Goochland Couinty I serv'd said year under said officer Fleming Captain – Eppes [Francis Eppes VAS1942] Colonel and got my discharge in the month august 76 ireenlisted again at williamsburgh for the term of three years to go to the notherd under said Captain John fleming above mentioned; we march'd out to the notherd states at which places for the lack command of our regiment[?] Colonel, Mulenburgh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] was our General, Fleming continued to be my Captain until the battle of princetown [Princeton, 3 Jan 1777] where he got killd as well as i recollect. One moss [John Moss VAS773] took command then as captain and kept it a while. When he resign'd Carroll minness [sic: Calohill Minnis BLWt1507-300] took command as captain and kept it as long as i continued a soldier in the army I servd that said term of three years in the notherd states under said Gentlemen and got my discharge in the year of 1779 in the month of august from General mulenburgh. i was discharg'd as well as i recollect in the State of newjersie.

and i do hereby Certify that i have never drawn my land nor ever so much as made a single application for it.

[certified in Hanover County 27 Nov 1811]

Benjamin Chappell

NOTE: American troops were at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania during the winter of 1777-78.