

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Thomas Chandler S39314

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Virginia

Cabell County Court Oct'r 22^d 1827.

On this 23^d day of October 1827 personally appeared in open Court, being a court of record for said county, Thomas Chandler, resident in said county, aged sixty five years; who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 & the 1st of May 1820, that he the said Thomas Chandler enlisted for the term of three years or during the war on the [blank] day of March preceeding Gates's defeat [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] in the state of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain William Litle [sic: William Lytle] in the regiment commanded by Colonel Thaxton [possibly James Thackston] in the line of the state of North-Carolina on the North-Carolina continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps until after the surrender of lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] when he was discharged from the service near Camden in South Carolina, after serving four years, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, except the present that his name is not on the role of any State as a pensioner; & that the reason for not making earlier application for a pension are that heretofore he has been able to support himself and family by his labour, and from the loss of his discharge, he did not know nor was he advised that he could recover any aid from the Government nor did he know how to proceed.

Thomas Chandler

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th of March 1818, and that I have not since that time, by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled, "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and navel service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March, 1818; and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

A Schedule of the property both personal & real held by Thomas Chandler an applicant for a pension necessary bedding and cloathing excepted: towit

Two Cows, One mare 4 head of Hogs.

Thomas Chandler

And the said Thomas Chandler further states on oath that he is by Occupation a labourer and from his age and the infirmities attending he is not able to do as much labour in the common employment of Farmers, as will enable him to command wages, that his family consists of a wife aged about sixty four years also very frail. That since the 18th of March 1818 the said Thomas Chandler says upon oath, that there has been no change in point of value of his property, that as the Cattle and hogs grew up and were used by his family that he raised others, that he has not sold or exchanged given or suffered to be sold by any officers since that time any property whatever.

State of North Carolina

Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this state in the revolutionary war, that Thomas Chandler a private in Capt. Lytle's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted on the [blank] day of [blank] must'd. Jan 7 1782."

Given under my hand this 28th July 1827. W. Hill

NOTES: This appears to be the same Thomas Chandler who deposed as follows for John Randall,

pension application R21892:
State of Kentucky

Lawrence County Sct

The following is the deposition of Thomas Chandler aged sixty five years who is a credible and disinterested witness and is to be relyed on taken before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the said county of Lawrence who being duely sworn according to law deposeth and sayeth that some time about the year 1777 or 1778 he enlisted as a private soldier in the service of the United States in Capt Lytles Company he enlisted at Wilks [sic: Wilkes] court house North Carolina then Marched to Hillsborough in North Carolina from thence marched under Gen'l. Stephens to Camden South Carolina or near this when an action was fought in which Gen'l. Gates was defeated

He further states that he served during said war three years - that at the time he enlisted John Randall of Lawrence County Ohio was the drummer in said company he further states that during most of the time of his said service he was associated with said John Randall - was with him in the battle of Guilford Court house and Eatw Springs and that the said John Randall was honourably discharged. He further states that he has resently seen said John Randall in Lawrence County Ohio and is sure that he is the same man with whom he served as aforesaid. That he well remembers of his haveing received a wound in his cheek which made a scare which is yet distrinctly visible, and further this deponant sayeth not Sworn to & Subscribed before me this 20th day of October 1827

Thomas hisXmark Chandler