Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Reuben Davenport S39407 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. VA

At a Court of monthly session held for King William County at the Courthouse on Monday the 27th of April 1818.

Reuben Davenport a resident of this County, aged about sixty four years, being sworn deposeth and saith, that he enlisted under Captain Holt Richeson [company raised in King William County] in the revolutionary war as a regular soldier in the 7th Virginia Regiment, in the month of January 1776, and served two years, and was discharged by General Woodson [sic: William Woodford] at the Valley Forge in the State of Pensylvania – which is ordered to be certified to the Secretary of the department of War

At a Court of monthly session held for King William County at the Courthouse on Monday the 22nd of February 1819

Reuben Davanport a resident of this County aged sixty five years came into Court, who being 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 Reuben Davanport enlisted for the term of two years, about the twelfth day of January 1776 in King William County in the State of Virginia, in the Company commanded by Captain Holt Richeson of the Regiment commanded by Col. McClanahan [sic: Alexander McClenachan] in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until the [blank] day of February 1778 when he was discharged from service at Vally Forge, State of Pennsylvania by General Woodford – that he was in the battle of German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777], and 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 now in his power of his said services.

[The following are among bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia:]

By the books in this Office it does not appear that any Mil'y Land bounty warrant has iss'd. to Reuben Davenport for his services in the Revolutionary war with Great Britain

Land Off./ June 20, 1814

John Davenport Ch'f. Clk

I do hereby certify that Reuben Davenport a soldier in the Continental Army Under Capt. Holt Richerson in the Seventh Virginia Rejiment which was commanded by Alexander McClanaham served the full term of three years, Given under my hand this 12th day Jany 1815

[Thomas Lipscomb Ensign] to said Reg't.

King William County to Wit

This day came Thomas Lipscomb personally before me and made Oath, to the above Certificate. Given under my hand as a Majistrate for the aforesaid County

This 13th day January 1815

Christopher Johnson

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