Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter David S39417 Transcribed by Will Graves

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South Carolina Sumter District

Personally appeared in the Court of Equity for the said County Peter David who being duly sworn saith that he enlisted in the Revolutionary War of the United States of America as a Private Soldier for the term of sixteen months under Colonel Isaac Huger in the Continental Establishment in the 5th Regiment of the South Carolina line: That he continued to serve as a Private Soldier until the City of Charleston was surrendered to the British Forces in the year of our Lord 1780 [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] thank you so very much at which time he this Deponent became a Prisoner of War and remained a Prisoners for about fifteen months that during the said imprisonment he this Deponent was placed in close confinement for many months on board of a British Prison Ship. That the whole time of the Service and imprisonment was two years and three months. That this Deponent is in Reduced Circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support.

Sworn to in open Court this 12th day of February 1819

S/ John D. Miller, Court Equity S. D

S/ Peter David, X his mark

South Carolina Sumter district

Personally appeared before the Court of Equity for the said District James Johnson¹ who being duly sworn saith that he was well acquainted with the within mentioned Peter David during the Revolutionary War in the United States of America that he this Deponent was himself a Soldier in the same Service and became a Prisoner at the same time and in the same manner and to the same Power as the said Peter David did and this Deponent declares that the contents of the within mentioned Affidavit are true to his own knowledge.

Sworn to before me in Open Court this 12 February 1819 S John D. Miller, Court Equity S. D.

S/ James Johnston, F his mark

State of South Carolina Sumter District

On this 3rd of October in the year of our Lord 1821 Personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of record of and for the District aforesaid, and in the State aforesaid, which have jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount & proceed according to the course of the common law and keep a record of its proceedings & have the power to fine and imprison) Peter David aged sixty-seven years resident in the District and State aforesaid, who first being duly sworn

¹ James Johnston (Johnson) S21843

according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served as a private soldier in the revolutionary war as follows, was enlisted in the fifth Regiment under General Huger and served nine months in said Regiment in Captain James Convers Company after the Siege of Savannah in Georgia, he was transferred in Captain Dunbar's [Thomas Dunbar's] Company in the second Regiment and then was taken prisoner at the fall of Charleston South Carolina and put on board of a prison ship called the Eske after being sometime on board said ship was transferred on board of the ship called the King George and from thence was sent on to the northward to be exchanged at old James town in Virginia as aforesaid, Peter David 67 years of age his wife Mary D. David is 60 years of age, our daughter aged 25. In the year 1814 said David had his house and the contents thereof burned & his old and infirm situation renders him unable to work to support himself or family moreover was wounded at the fall of Charleston which wound is of great detriment to his health and has received no pension for said wound and this Deponent further declares that he has been inscribed on the pension list of South Carolina Agency at the rate of \$8 per month, to commence on the 12th day of February 1819. The Pension Certificate No. 10698. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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" 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 viz.

one Fluke Plough	\$1.50
one small hand mill valued at	5.00
one old saddle valued at	1.00
Three blankets ditto	10.00
one half dozen knives & forks	1.50
five plates & one dish	1.25
Two pots and one small Duck oven	3.00
one Coarse Gun	5.00
one Coffee Pott	025
one half dozen cups & saucers	0.75
one Jug & half dozen bottles	2.00
one wash Tub	12.00
	\$44.75

And this deponent further swears that he was originally & is now a farmer & that his wife and daughter the only family he has with him are able to give him but little or no assistance. Sworn to in open court this 3rd day of October 1821 S/J. G. Mathis, UQ & CC PS

S/ Peter David, X his mark

[Note: There also may be a claim in the South Carolina Audited accounts filed by this veteran. The documents in that file as posted online, however, are illegible. The file number is South Carolina Audited Account 1761A.]²

² The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the Just take me to the search page link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.