Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Hall S5475

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State of Virginia Hanover County to wit

On this 24th day of November 1832 personally appeared before me Genet Anderson a justice of the peace for said county William Hall a resident of the said County of Hanover & state aforesaid, aged seventy three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of congress passed June the 7th 1832 He states that he was born near Charles Terrells Tavern in the upper part of Hanover about thirty miles from Hanover Court House on the 22nd day of May 1759 according to family register, there being no record of his age - that he was drafted and called into service in the year 1776 as a private in the first division of the Hanover militia and marched from Hanover under Captn William Johnson through New Kent, Charles City and James City to the town of Williamsburg and there he joined the army commanded by Genl [Thomas] Nelson and was stationed there upwards of a month and then discharged. He was called out again in the year 1779 and marched from Hanover under under Captn John Thompson through New Kent, Charles City and James City to Wmsburg and there joined the army commanded by Genl Nelson thence to York Town & returned to Wmsburg and was then discharged. He served in this tour upwards of two months. He was called out again in the year 1779 from Hanover and marched under Captn Edward Bullock through Henrico and crossed James river at Westham into Chesterfield to a place called Shirley Hundred on said river, thence to Charles City Court House where several of our men were killed by the enemy thence to Holts forge [in New Kent County] where we were stationed awhile, there we started to march to Wmsburg but before we mached Wmsburg we were ordered to march to a place called Sandy point on James River thence to Cabin point and were stationed there sometime. He served in this tour two months. He was called out again in the year 1781 and marched from Hanover under Captn Francis Underwood through the counties of Louisa, Spotsylvania, and Orange and crossed the Rapidan River at the Racoon Ford into Culpeper and joined the american army commanded by the Marquis Delafayette at that place [Marquis de Lafayette, 8 June], thence we marched through Albemarle, Fluvanna, Goochland to a place called Dandridge's old fields in Hanover and were stationed there a while, thence to Westham on James river where we crossed the said river into Chesterfield thence down the said River to Maubin Hills [sic: Malvern Hill 15 mi SE of Richmond] and we were stationed there awhile and then discharged. He served in this tour two months. He was called out again in the year 1782 under Captn David Davenport and marched from Hanover through New Kent, Charles City and James City to York Town where he was employed sometime after the capture of Lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] in loading our vessels with cannon & balls taken of the enemy. He served in this tour a month and upwards. He served during the war of the revolution Eight months in all. He states that he has lived since the revolution in the said county of Hanover and has no written discharge or documentary evidence but can prove his services by James Seay [pension application W8038] and James Hall [S6946] and refers to Genet Anderson Charles Thompson and Charles Terrill as persons who live in his neighbourhood who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief as to his being a soldier of the revolution. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state or territory whatever Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. William hisXmark Hall