Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Richard Bennatt S6632 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

Lunenburg County State of Virginia Sct.

on this first day of September 1832 personally appeared before me Richard Bennatt of the County aforesaid & state afores'd. aged 74 years, who being first duly sworn according to law – doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benifit of the provision made by act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the army of the united States in the year 1776 with Captain Holt Richardson [sic: Holt Richeson] and served in the 7th Regiment of the Virginia line under the following named officers – Col [William] Dangerfield commandant. Lieut Col McClennahan [sic: Alexander McClenachan] and Major [William] Nelson – after the resignation of Col Dangerfield [13 Aug 1776] Lieut. Col McClennahan was promoted to the command of s'd. Regt [7 Oct] & Major Nelson promoted to the office of Lieut Col. that the s'd. Richard Bennatt declares that he served under the afores'd. officers for the term of two years in the regular army and after being[?] in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] & Germantown [4 Oct 1777] & several skirmishes during this period – and that after his discharge in the s'd. regular army he served three months in the militia to the South under Brigadier Gen'l. [Edward] Stevens – that he marched from Amelia County Va. under Lieut John Towers & after joining the main army to the South was put under the command of Captain Philip Webber.

he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State. [signed] Richard Bennatt

NOTE: The application was accompanied by a letter apparently written by Bennatt giving his address as Jeffrey's Store Post Office, Nottoway County VA.