Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Patrick Carnall S8156

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Caroline County State of Virginia

On this 8th day of October 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of Carolina, Patrick Carnall, a resident of said County & state aged 73 years but I have no record of my age who being duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832

I was born, raised and educated in the County of Carolina & have always lived in said County I entered the revolutionary war first as a volunteer under Capt. Philip Buckner in the year 1778 to serve for three months. We marched from this County to Richmond & there joined the third Regiment of the Virginia State line then Commanded by Maj'r D'Climmon [sic: Christian Charles de Klauman]. We remained there but a short time before we marched to Williamsburg, We then returned up the James River to a place called Ruffins ferry [sic: on Pamunkey River near Sweet Hall] where we crossed over & proceeded from thence to a place called Cabin point [on James River] I believe this was in Surry County – from thence we marched to a place called Mackays [probably Mackey's or Mackie's Mill] where we remained several days. We were then taken back to Cabin Point, from thence on to Petersburg where we remained until discharged.

In the year 1779 I was again called into the army under a regular draft & was alloted to the Company from this County commanded by Capt Anthony New to serve for three months. We marched from this County first to Richmond & joined there that portion of the American army consisting of the 3rd Regiment of Virginia Militia Commanded by Col Matthews. We marched from thence down to Williamsburg – afterwards as low down as Hampton where we remained a considerable time & were discharged in that neighborhood.

In the year 1780 I was again called into service by a regular draft upon the militia of this County & fell into the Company commanded by Capt George Madison for 3 months. We first went to Richmond and joined that portion of the army consisting of the third Regiment of militia Commanded by Gen'l [Alexander] Spotswood & Col. John Taylor. We remained in and about Richmond during this tour and were then discharged.

In the year 1781 I was again by a regular draft upon the militia of our County drafted into the Company commanded by Capt. Joseph Richeson for three months. We marched first to a tavern called Head Lynch[?] where we joined the Marquis Lafayette and the forces commanded by him. We proceeded from thence to Richmond and from thence down to Little York. We were here routed by the British army Commanded by Cornwallis and were compelled to retreat as far back as the County of Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] where we joined Genl Wayne and his army [Anthony Wayne, about 10 June]. We then turned & pursued the Enemy back to little York where Cornwallis and all his army surrendered to us [19 Oct] and thus ended my military career

The field officers whom I remember were Generals [Thomas] Nelson Mulenb[page torn; Peter Muhlenberg] Wayne & Lafayette. I am well known to Wm. W Dickinson, Henry C Coleman, Col Fleming Terrell Maj Philip Samuel, Col Archibald Samuel and Atwell C Coleman esq'r

I declare that my name is not on the pension roll fo the agency of any state whatsoever and I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid [signed] Patrick Carnall

State of Virginia

Caroline County to wit: On the 13th day of July 1833 Patrick Carnall personally appeared before the

County Court of Caroline who being duly sworn according to Law doth make the following declaration by way of amendment to the foregoing declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th June 1832. That he is now old and has not a distinct of the exact period of time he served during the revolutionary war. He can however with great safety swear that in the 4 tours which he served he was engaged for the period of nine months as a private soldier. He has no documentary evidence of his services, but can prove them for two tours of three months each one by the evidence of Wm. Coates [William Coates, pension application S8232] – The other by the evidence of Robert Wright [S6450] & Wm Harris [William Harris, S6954].