

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Richard Cawthon S8175

VA

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State of Virginia Fluvanna County to wit

On this [blank] day of [blank] [30 Aug] 1832 personally appeared before the Court of said County Richard Cawthon a resident in said County aged Sixty nine 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 That he enlisted in the army of the united states in 1779 for the term of Two years in the Regiment of Guards he believes on State establishment, that he enlisted in the county of Amherst Va. at the age of 16 years, that he was enlisted by Liutenant Woodruff & served in the Company Commanded by Capt Garland Burnley Leutenant Ambrose Pollard in the Regiment Commanded by Col Francis Taylor, Major [John] Roberts, that he remained nearly or quite 18 [last digit unclear] months at the Barracks in the County of Albemarle guarding Prisoners taken with Burgoyne [at Saratoga, 17 Oct 1777] that he marched from thence, the detachment having under its Charge the aforesaid Prisoners, to Fredericktown [Frederick] in the State of Maryland, returned from Fredericktown with the prisoners to winchester in the State of Va, Built Barracks three or Four miles from winchester, remaned there guarding the prisoners aforesaid until his term of service had expired, after which remained as a volunteer in the same service 4 or 5 months. was discharged at winchester by Col Taylor & returned to the County of Albemarle in the summer of 1781 Volunteered in a Company of Riflemen & served during that summer in a detachment under the Command of Col. [Sampson] Mathews was at the Siege of York & was discharged after the surrender of Cornwallis in the fall [19 Oct] of 1781. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity other than the present and he declares that his name is not on the Roll of any Agency in any State. Sworn & subscribed the day and year aforesaid  
[signed] Richard Cowthon