

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Robert Cardwell S8179

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Campbell County }

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1832, personally appeared in Open Court, before the County Court of Campbell county now sitting, Robert Cardwell, a resident of the County aforsaid, aged eighty five years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832 in relation to the Officers and Soldiers of the revolution. He saith, that he entered the service of the U. S. in the year 1776 or 7 as a volunteer, under Capt. Dixon of Bedford County Va. and marched to the lead mines in the western part of the state, now Wythe County, [at Fort Chiswell] to guard them from the Indians and tories. This tour was three months; or perhaps more. His next service was in the militia from Amherst County va. as a private in 1781 from whence he marched to Williamsburg va. under Capt. Lovin [sic: John Loving]; and joined the army that besieged Little York under General Washington [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. His Colo's name was [Holt] Richardson; and one [St. George] Tucker was his major: Gen.. [Robert] Lawson was his general under Washington. This tour was three months. He served again, during that year in the militia from the same county, in guarding the british prisoners taken at York, to Winchester, and at the place after they arrived. This tour was also three months. His time of service in all was eight months. He has lost his discharge, if he ever had any; he has no written evidence whatever; nor does he know of any living witness excepting Poindexter Patterson [pension application S8935], & Thomas Franklin [W1590] whose affidavits are herewith filed.

He hereby relinquishes his every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present; and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state whatever.

[signed] Robert Cardwell

NOTE: A Treasury-Department document states that the executor of Robert Cardwell's estate received the final pension payment to the date of his death, 14 Feb 1839.