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Pension Application of Stephen Davidson S8306


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State of Virginia Buckingham County to Wit

On this 29th day of July 1833 personally appeared before me Th H Flood one of the Justices of the peace for the County of Buckingham and as such one of the Justices of the County Court of Buckingham in the State aforesaid (which Court is a Court of Record) Stephen Davidson a resident of the County of Buckingham and State of Virginia, Aged Seventy Six years, 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 June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the united States in 1778 or 1779 under the Command of Capt. John Thomas of Buckingham marched from said County to the Albemarle Barracks [which from Jan 1779 to Feb 1781 housed prisoners captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777] and after serving a while with Capt. Thomas, he was transferred to the Company of Capt. Garland Burleys [sic: Garland Burnley] that he continued at the Baracks untill his time of enlistment was out which was twelve months from the time of his enlistment untill he left the Barracks, he received no discharge was in no engagement, the field officers were Colo. Francis Taylor, Colo [William] Fontaine, and Maj'r. [John] Roberts [illegible word] in this enlistment he served as a private, That after his return he was drafted to serve a tour in the Malitia that he marched from Buckingham Court House the 1st of May the year not recollected but it was the latter part of the War, under the command of Capt [William] Perkins as a private, marched through the Countys of Cumberland, Powhatan Chesterfield the City of Richmond &c down to a place called hot Water Hills below Williamburg, while lay there they had a skirmish with the enemy [Battle of Hot Water Plantation 6 mi NW of Williamsburg, 26 Jun 1781], that he served in this tour little over two Months, he does not recollect the names of any other officers, he dont recollect whether he received a discharge for this tour or not. That upon Interrogatories propounded he states in Answer to the first, that he was born in the County of Cumberland and State of Virginia in the year 1767. in Answer to the second he states that he has the register of his age, in Answer to the third he states that at each time, that he went into the service he resided in the County of Buckingham and State of Virginia, that he has resided in the same County and State, and since the War of the revolution and now resides in the same County and State, in Answer to the fourth, he states that the first time he went into the service he enlisted for twelve months and the second time was drafted, in Answer to the fifth he states as before stated that Col'n. Taylor, Fontaine and Maj. Roberts were the commanding officers at the Barracks his second tour he dont recollect any officers but his Capt. In Answer to the sixth he states that he does not recollect of receiving written discharges for either of his Tours; and as to the seventh he refers to the affidavit of Josiah Giles [pension application W3799] and Giles Davidson [S6790] for proof of his first tour he knows of no one now living that he can prove his second tour by. As to his character for veracity he refers to his neighbours generally as also for their general belief that he was a soldier during the revolutionary War he will the R'd Gabriel Walker, John T Boccock Esq'r Doc't Flood George Christian Colo. Thomas H Flood, Cap [illegible] Flood He further states that he lives at least fifteen or twenty miles from the Court house and from age and bodily infirmity cannot attend there without great inconvenience and danger to qualify to his declaration for a pension.

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



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I do hereby certify that about the year 1778 or 1779 I served a three months tour in a Militia

Company commanded by Capt. Wm. Diuguid [sic: William Duguid] at the Albemarle Barracks, that during my service in said Company I enlisted in a regular company commanded by Captain Garland Burley who was also stationed at the Albemarle Barracks and served with him twelve months during which time Capt. John Thomas of Buckingham was ordered with his company to the s'd. Barracks and Stephen Davidson for some cause not now recollectd, was transferred from the company of Capt. Thomas to that of Capt. Burley in which he served to the end of the time for which he enlisted, twelve months, Col. Francis Taylor, Lieutenant Col. Fountain and Majr Roberts were the field officers Commanding the regiment to which Burleys Company was attached. I have known Stephen Davidson from my earliest recollection and believe him to be about seventy six years old. given under my hand the 7th day of June 1833
Giles Davison

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Josiah Giles this day make Oath before me John T Boccock a justice of the peace for said County that Stephen Davidson of said County was a Soldier in the Army of the revolution and served at the Barracks in the County of Albemarle during the time that the said Giles was there which was three months and how much longer the said Giles does not know. Given under my hand the 6th day of August 1832.