Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Benjamin Edwards S8397 VA
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Floyd County and State of Virginia

On this 25th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the judge of the circuit superior court of Law and chancery for Floyd county Benjamin Edwards a resident of the county of Floyd aforesaid aged 75 year on the 1st day of March 1833. who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States in the first redgment of Virginia Malitia Commanded by Colo Charles Dabney and the company to which he belonged was commanded by Capt Abner Crump. Being a redgment of light infantry. He entered the service about the year 1778 or thereabout and remained in the service untill the conclusion of the war and he received his discharge at York town some time after the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] which discharge was lost by Judge Sanders of this state and proof of that fact is now on record in the county court of Franklin. He was at Yorktown at the surrender thereof by Cornwallis. He then resided in the county of Goochland and was marched from there to Richmond Va. where they were joined by the Genl Lafayette [19 Apr 1781]. He was principally engaged in Virginia and generally under the command of Capt Crump. He was also commanded by Major Dicke [sic: Alexander Dick] and adjutant Ensign Berry.

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 agent in any state or teritory whatever.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid Benjamin hisXmark Edwards