Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Frederick Fendrer S8462	VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 4 Feb	2014.

State of Virginia }
Rockbridge County to wit }

On this sixth day of May 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Court of Rockbridge County, now sitting, Frederick Fender, a resident of the County of Rockbridge and State of Virginia aged 72 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 Act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832, that he entered the service of the United States under the command of General Green, having enlisted under Capt. Hoffman in the County of Shenandoah in said State, and joined the army at Hillsborough in North Carolina about the month of June 1780. [see endnote] That he was in the Battle of Guilford on the 15th of March 1781 and received a musket wound in the left arm at the Elbow joint, which has produced a total disability of that arm, that he remained in the hospital until the 1st January 1782 at which time he was discharged and received a printed or written discharge, which has been lost, or mislaid. That he remained under the care of a surgeon for near twelve months after he was discharged; That he marched and countermarched from South Carolina into Virginia previous to the Battle of Guilford. That the term of his enlistment was for Eighteen months, all of which time he remained in service. That he was under the command of Col Bluford [sic: Abraham Buford] and Capt. [blank] at the time he received his wound above mentioned. he recollects that Col. [Daniel] Morgan commanded the light troops in the department of the Army in which he served. That he receives a small Pension as an invilid Pensioner of three dollars and $\frac{55}{100}$ of a dollar per month. That he hereby relinquishes 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, only on the agency of the state of Virginia for the small invlaid Pension above mentioned. Sworn to, and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. frindred funder hederick tendrer

[The following are from Revolutionary pension records in the Library of Virginia, misfiled with James Trigg.]

I do with the advice of the County hereby Certify that Frederick Fenter, aged about 26 years, late a private in the detachment of the Virginia Line commanded by Colo. Buford and whose pay was at the rate of Twenty four Pounds per annum, Was disabled in the service of The United States by a wound he received in his left arm, and that he is allowed the sum of Eight Pounds yearly, to commence from the first day of January 1786.

Given under my hand as Lieutent. Governor of the Commonwealth of Virg'a. (the Governor being absent) at Richmond this 23^d day of July 1787

T. Meriwether [signed] Beverley Randolph

In pursuance of the within order I have examined Frederick Finter who was wounded near the joint of his elbow there is now a considerable discharge from the wound as there has been one this eight years past which enervates this part so that he is incapible of using it sufficiently to acquire a livelihood Given under my hand this 4th day of April 1789

A Bainbridge

[Parts of the following are missing from the online image at places marked *.]

At a Court Continued and held for the County of Shanandoah on Saturday the Twenty Ninth day of August One Thousand seven hundred and eighty [*]

On the Motion of Frederick Fintar Ordered that [*] late Sheriff pay him Eight pounds Specie out or the Reve[*] collected by him for the year One Thousand seven hundred and eighty eight for his Pension due him for the said year [*] Thousand seven hundred and eighty eight

A Copy Philip Williams C.D.

Pay the contents to John Crouden or order, for Value Rec'd. of him the 5 day of September 1789 Test/ Adam Darting[?] [Frederick Finter]

[parts in brackets are missing from the online image]

Rockbridge County to [wi]t

this day Frederick Fender made oath before me a Just[ice] of the peace for said County that he is the same Frederick Fender to Whom [an] Additional pension of Sixty dollars p annum [was] allowed by an act of the General Ass[em]bly passed the 1st day of February 1818 [th]at he now resides in the County of Rockbridge and State of Virginia and has Resided [the]re Ever since the said pension was Granted him Given under my Hand this 21 day of Sep[tem]ber 1818. Rob White

The Auditor of Publick Accounts w[ill] please pay to Mr Robert M Pulliam the moiety of the above mentioned pension from the first day of August 1818 to the first day of February 1819 and He is Hereby Empowered to grant an aquittance for the same Given under my Hand and Seal this 6 day of March 1819

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acknowledged in presence of [see endnote]

Da'd Hopkins/ Robt White

Know all men by these presents that I Fredrick Fender of Rockbridge County do Hereby constitute and appoint Col'n Bernard Peyton of the City of Richmond my true and lawful attorney to receve from the Auditor of Publick Acounts the moiety of my pension due me from the State of Virginia from the first day of August 1824 till the first day of Feby 1825 and to grant an aquittance therfor as Effectually as if I were personally present and performed the same Given under my Hand this 5th day of March 1825 –

[The state pension file includes other documents similar to the above, the last signed by Frederick Fendrer being dated 15 March 1836.]

At Rockbridge County Court October 4th 1836

On the application of Rachel Finder Widow of Frederick Finder deceased, it is ordered to be certified, that it appeared to the court from the evidence of John Finder & Robert White (a member of the court) credible witnesses, that the said Frederick Finder deceased, was a pensioner of the United States and also of the State of Virginia, and that he died on the 9th day of June last past in this County leaving the said Rachel Finder his widow.

A Copy Test Sam. Jno D. Reid ClkC

NOTE: Fendrer's 1832 declaration is at variance with statements made in relation to his state pension, and also at variance with the historical record. Gen. Nathanael Greene did not take command in the South until 2 Dec 1780, and Col. Abraham Buford was not at the Battle of Guilford Courthouse. Buford's last engagement was his defeat at the Battle of Waxhaws SC on 29 May 1780, where his troops were "hacked to pieces" by the legion of Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton. It appears likely that Fendrer was wounded at that battle rather than at the battle of Guilford Courthouse.

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Edited by Will Graves in italics

[p2[Virginia certificate 23.192 To Frederick Fendrer of Rockingham County Private under Col Bluford for 18 months Issued 29May 1833 @ \$60/annum

[p4] Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the seventh of June 1832. State of Virginia

Rockbridge County to wit:

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invalid pension above mentioned. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

s/ Frindrick Fendrer² Frederick Fendrer

¹ This is an error. Nathanael Greene did not assume command of the Southern Department of the Continental Army

until December 2, 1780 in Charlotte. Horatio Gates was in command of the Southern Department in June 1780.

² Will Graves does not think either of these is the actual signature of the veteran since the handwriting is identical to the handwriting in the document itself. Rather, he thinks the signature merely indicates that the veteran did give the statement attributed to him in his declaration.

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[routine county certification Samuel McD Reid, clerk]

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Lexington Virginia March 28th 1843

To the com^r of pensions,

Sir,

I write to request information as to the amount of money due to the widow of Frederick Fainter, a Revolutionary soldier, who departed this life on the 9th of June 1836. Not having the acts of Congress on the subject of pensions before me or indeed within my reach, I am under the necessity of soliciting from you the information which might otherwise be gathered from that source.

Be kind enough also to furnish me with instructions as to the mode proper to be pursued to obtain the money for her.

Respectfully,

John Letcher

F. Fainter resided in Rockbridge Cty Va