Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lillard S8860 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Virginia Culpeper County SS

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Justices of the Court of Culpeper County now sitting, John Lillard a resident of the County of Culpeper in the State of Virginia aged sixty-seven 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 the 7th of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated: That he was drafted for a term of three months in the Militia service in the County of Culpeper Virginia in a Company commanded by Captain Kirtley[?]¹ and served the same in the lower part of Virginia. That he does not now recollect the name of the Colonel of the Regiment that he was discharged at Richmond Virginia in the fall of 1780 after having rendered his tour of three the months service, That he was again drafted in the winter of 1781, in the Company commanded by Captain James Browning, and joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel James Slaughter, and was in several petty engagements with the enemy during that tour, on James River and at Petersburg Virginia, which said tour continued for 3 months, after that term of service expired received his discharge above Richmond, the precise time not now recollected. That he was again drafted in the latter part of the summer of 1781, in the Company commanded by Captain Armistead while in the Militia from the County of Culpeper in the latter part of the summer 1781 and was marched to the lower part of Virginia and joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel Dark [William Darke] and served a tour of three months, was at the siege of York town, from the Commencement to the termination of the same and was marched as a guard to the prisoners captured their to Winchester Virginia at which place was discharged from the service. That he can prove his service by several living Witnesses, that are now living who were in the Army with him, and with whom he has been acquainted from his infancy.

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.

S/ John Lillard²

[Thomas Pulliam & Timothy Sisk gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

² handwriting identical to the body of the document consequently I do not believe it is the actual signature of the veteran

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]