Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Rice D. Montague W2416 Ann Montague VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 1 Sep 2014.

State of Virginia Cumberland County to wit

On this 27th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the County Court of Cumberland Rice D. Montague a resident of the said County and State of Virginia who being first 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 the 7th. 1832 That he is a native of the County of Cumberland and is now in his 67th year of age that he has always resided in the said County. That when he was in his 17th year of age he was drafted to perform a three months tour of duty in the Malitia. That he marched from said County in the year 1780 to the best of his recollection under Capt Charles Ballow [sic: Charles Ballew], that they marched first to Hillsborough North Carolina, and set out from there to CharlesTown [Charleston SC] That he was with the Army when it met the enemy at the battle of Cambden [sic: Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780], and was in that action, that this Company to which he belonged was attached to Colo. Spencers [Joseph Spencer's] Regiment and in Genl Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] brigade. That some short time after Genl. [Horatio] Gates defeat at Cambden he was discharged and returned home, that although the tour was intended for a three months tour yet it proved to be four months before his return home. That the 2^d tour of duty which he performed was a three months tour of duty in 1781 in Capt William Merediths Company and Major John Hatcher [pension] application W7677] (who is now present and testifying to the fact) as his Lieutenant that they joined the Marquis DeLafayettes [Marquis de Lafayette's] Army near Richmond and was discharged near the Racoon Ford [sic: Raccoon Ford on Rapidan River, June 1781], and returned home with his Lieut. John Hatcher, and begs leave to refer to his declaration for a history of this service. That his third and last tour of duty was performed shortly afterward at the Siege of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], when all the Malitia were called out he thinks he was about [out] about 2 months making in the whole service during the war about nine months.

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. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

State of Virginia

Cumberland County to wit

This day [24 Sep 1832] Thomas Montague [S5775] personally appeard before me a Justice of the peace for s'd County and made Oath. That his brother Rice D. Montague marched as his substitute in a Company of Malitia for the County of Cumberland Commanded by Capt. Charles Ballow who marched to the South before the battle of Cambden that this was a three months tour. That he also says that the s'd Rice D. Montague marched afterwards in the year 1781 with this affiant and others from Cumberland County in a Company of Malitia commanded by Capt. Wm. Meredith and served a three months tour and was discharged at the Racoon Ford

State of Virginia

Cumberland County to wit

This day [24 Sep 1832] Obadiah Johnson [R5646] personally appeard before me a Justice of the peace for said County and made Oath that he was in the same mess with Rice D. Montague in a three months tour of duty which they performed to the South under Capt. Charles Ballow before and after the

battle of Cambden, that the s'd Rice served out his time and was discharged. That afterwards they marched in the year 1781 in a Company of Malitia from Cumberland under Capt. Wm. Meredith and served a three month tour and were discharged at the Racoon Ford. And I do furthermore certify that the said Obadiah Johnson is worthy of credit on Oath

NOTE: On 5 Sep 1853 Ann Montague, about 70, applied for a pension in Montgomery County VA, stating that her late husband had moved there from Cumberland County after he began receiving a pension. She stated that they were married in Oct 1830, and that he died on 3 April 1849. In the file is a copy of a bond signed in Cumberland County on 5 Oct 1830 by Rice D. Montague and Frances Armistead for the marriage of Montague to Ann Adams. On 18 June 1855 in Montgomery County Ann Montague applied for bounty land. On 18 May 1866 at age 80 she applied for the restoration of her pension, which had been suspended during the Civil War, during which time she had lived with her daughter in Montgomery County and "derived a subsistance aided by a few other friends, her daughter being in very indigent circumstances." In other documents in the file Ann Montague 1866 referred to a son named Rice D. Montague, who was a resident of Christiansburg and Clerk of the court of Montgomery County.