Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Thomas Vaughn S22030
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State of South Carolina } On this 28th day of September 1832 personally
Spartanburgh [Spartanburg] District } appeared in open court being the court of Session & common pleas for the District of Spartanburgh Thomas Vaughn a resident of the State and District aforesaid aged seventy one 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 —

That he enlisted in the State troops of Virginia on the 5th day of February A.D. 1777 in Caroline County for three years with Serg't. Gray Samuel & Lieut Waller, went into Essex County where he joined the recruits & was reviewed by Col'ns. [Thomas] Lowry & Upsher [sic: James Upshur], marched to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] Va. from thence to York under the command of Lieut. Walker who he there left & marched back to Williamsburgh under a recruiting officer whose name he does not recollect & there joined the 1st Virginia State regiment under Col'n. George Gibson, Lieut. Coln. Ellison [sic: John Allison], Maj'r Thomas Marriwethers [sic: Thomas Meriwether], Capt. ___ Campe (he thinks) [sic: John Camp] 1st Liet. Stubblefield, 2nd Lieut ___ Triplet: From thence he marched to Fredericksburg & Alexandria Va., GeorgeTown Maryland & from thence into Pennsylvania where he joined the regular army under Gen'l. Washington, Brig'r. Gen'l. ___ Mulenburgh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg]; Gen'ls. [Charles] Scott & [Anthony] Wayne were attached to the army; he remained with the regular army untill the battle at Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], which he was in. From thence he marched, under Col'n. Gibson, to West point on the North river where he remained two or three months – from thence to a place called Ramapo old fields where the Reg't. remained encamped some time; from there Gen'l. Wayne took part of the men to stony point [Battle of Stony Point NY, 15 Jul 1779]. he was not one of that number, but entered the fort next morning after it was taken. The army remained there only a few days when we marched back to Ramapo old fields. From this place he does not recollect where he marched but remained with the army marching through New York & Pennsylvania, was at Mount holly from which place he was marched toward red bank fort to meet the British but understood they had returned to red bank fort he then returned to Mount holly, from thence by the way of Princeton & Trenton to the White marsh camps was marching about through the Country sometime does not recollect how long, when he was marched again toward stony point & remained within about three miles of the fort three or four days, when the British left it & they marched in & destroyed the fort. From there he marched to Philadelphia & remained untill the 25th day of December 1779 on which day he left there & marched to Frederick town, Maryland, where he was discharged on the 4th day of January 1780 by Col'n. George Gibson, which discharge is lost — This ending my service in the State troops of Virginia —

Sometime in the Spring of 1780 he stood a draft at Caroline Courthouse Va. & came clear but entered as a substitute on the same day (but the name of him as whose substitute he went into the army he cannot recollect) for six months under the command of Col'n. [blank] Capt. [Edmund] Pendleton 1st. Lieut. Howard [probably Lt. Hord] & marched for South Carolina in the army commanded by Gen'l. [Horatio] Gates; he got his arm broken was paroled & returned to Hillsborough North Carolina where he remained untill his arm was well: he then joined the army again at the new garden [now in Greensboro NC] near Guilford Courthouse under the same officers served out his time & was discharged by Col'n. Anthony Thorn [sic: Anthony Thornton] in Caroline County Va.

he substituted again in the year 1781 (for whom I cannot recollect) & joined the army commanded by Gen'l. Wayne & was at the surrender of Lord Corn Wallis [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781], commanded by Col'n. Johnson, marched from thence to Fredericksburgh with the prisoners & was then discharged by Col'n Johnson, which discharge is lost.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, & he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state

[signed] Thomas Vaughn