

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Richard Gaines S8546

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State of Virginia, County of Albemarle Sct:

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared before the subscriber one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the peace for the county of Albemarle, Richard Gaines a resident of said county and state, aged Eighty 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 June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he was born on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 1752 on Buck Island Creek in the County of Albemarle and State of Virginia, I have no record of my age, with me my Father carried the record to Georgia where he removed upwards of 40 yrs ago. I have always resided in the County of Albemarle: In the last of Aug't. or early in September in 1776 or 177[7] I was called upon to serve as a Militia man, and served two months under Captain Landon Jones, at Williamsburg & Hampton, guarding some prisoners, and provisions houses, getting my discharge I returned to my family at Monticello (being in the employment of Mr Jefferson) being called upon the second time I started with Captain Bennet Henderson Reuben Lindsay our Colonel both of Albemarle, and whilst on the march near the Racoon ford [on Rapidan River] in Orange County I hired a substitute Wm Campbell [William Campbell] a Scotchman, who had served 18 months in the Regular Army and was a good soldier, Col. Lindsay rec'd him in my place and gave me a discharge, which I have lost. I served two tours, at the Barracks of 2 months each, in this County guarding the prisoners of Burgoyne's Army [captured at Saratoga and kept at Albemarle Barracks from Jan 1779 through Feb 1781]. I have no documentary evidence, but would refer to Cornelius Maupin [pension application R7041] of this County who was with me during my first tour at Williamsburg and Hampton

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Richard hisXmark Gaines

Teste: J. R Watson