

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Wiggins R1150

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State of South Carolina Marion District: Be it known that on 9th day of August A.D. 1851 before me John McMillan, a Magistrate, within and for the aforesaid District and State, Willis Wiggins 60 [could be 65] years of age, a resident of said district, who being sworn in due form of law, declares, that his Father Jesse Wiggins, was a soldier in the war of the Revolution, of the South Carolina line. That about two years after the commencement of hostilities he resided in the aforesaid District, at a place called the great Pedee River, that upon a requisition made for Troops by the State, his said Father was drafted, and ordered to report at Charleston, and left home, in company with William Turbeville, a Mr. Dewitt, William Shaw and a Mr. Davis and joined the American Army. That he continued in actual service from the time of his entering until the end of the war (except on occasional leave of absence for a month at a time) and was discharged at the Boling Greene after peace in 1783, which discharge was in the hand writing of General Marion, and was frequently seen by me before, and since the death of my Father; that he is lost or mislaid -- My Father died on the 15th day of December 1836 leaving this affiant and his Brother Micajah Wiggins and Jesse Wiggins his only surviving children at the time of his death. That my Father was in several engagements with the British and Tories, was at the battle of Stono Ferry -- at watbu [sic, Wadboo] -- was at the Battle of the Eutaw Springs -- was at Charleston -- was in many skirmishes with the Tories up and down the Pedee River, was in a fight at a place in this District called the Blue Savannah -- was stationed some time at Moncks corner, black Mingo and Snows Island. He served under Captain Goodwin, Benjamin Munnerlyn,¹ Simonds [sic, probably Simons] and Gasque at different times, and principally attached to General Marion's Brigade. His Father left no widow, and he therefore on behalf of himself and brothers Micajah Wiggins and Jesse Wiggins, only surviving children of Jesse Wiggins, makes the foregoing declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th day of June in the year of our Lord 1832.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written
S/ Jno. McMillan, Magistrate

S/ Willis Wiggins

[fn p. 105: On August 3, 1851 in Marion district South Carolina, William Altman, 82, gave a supporting affidavit in which he states he was only or 10 or 15 years of age when peace was

¹ [Benjamin Munnerlyn W8479](#)

made but that he remembers very well many of the persons who were engaged in the service of the United States during the revolution; He states "he remembers a man by the name of Jesse Wiggins, who was a soldier in the American Army, he was a tall, square Shouldered, fair complected man; a course, loud voice, that he lived about thirteen miles from said Wiggins, who lived near the great Pedee River, that Wiggins left his home in company with a man by the name of Dewitt, and 2 or 3 others from Charleston some time, as much as a year and a half or two years after the war had commenced, saw them pass his Father's house, stopped & got water, they said they were going on to Charleston to join the American forces. This deponent remembers very distinctly, the battle of the blue Savannah in this District, he heard the firing of the Guns, and remembers seeing on the day before some men who were engaged there, Joseph Davis, Benjamin Munnerlyn, John Munnerlyn, James Munnerlyn, Loftus R. Munnerlyn, and the said Jesse Wiggins, and also solve them after the battle. The Deponent knows that General Marion's Camp was at the Boling Green in this District, was frequently there, and saw many whom he knew, Jesse Wiggins, the Davis's and Munnerlyns and others, this was about the time peace was made. This deponent has resided in this District since his birth."]