

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Yocom R11940

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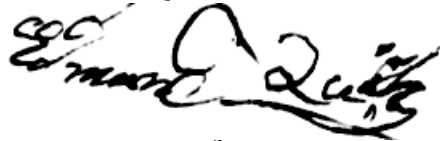
State of Louisiana Parish of Natchitoches: March the 14th A.D. 1835

Personally before me the undersigned authority came and appeared Mr. Edmund Quirk who being duly sworn according to law made oath that he is well acquainted with Jesse Yocom of said parish and state aforesaid and that he knew him in Kentucky where they both lived in the year 1780 and that he knew of said Yocom's voluntarily entering in the Militia Service of said State in the company of Captain Hugh McGary in Colonel John Bowman's Regiment and that he knew said Yocom to go against the Shawanie Indians [Shawnee Indians] in what was called General Clarke's Expedition witness thinks in the year 1780 or 81. And that he knew of said Yocom's being taken prisoner in the Blue Lick action [August 19, 1782, Battle of Blue Licks or Bluelicks] witness being in the same Action and that he knew of said Yocom's being absent more than one year and he understood by common report he was carried to Detroit and from thence to Montréal in Canada, and that he attempted to desert was retaken and from that time was kept in irons until he was Discharged at the End of the war and witness knows that he returned home to Kentucky in the month of August 1783.

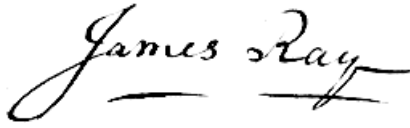
Subscribed and sworn to before me on the day and year above written.

S/ William J. Elam, JP

S/ Edmund Quirk



[There is a 2-page letter dated Jany. 13, 1833 from James Ray² of Mercer County Kentucky to Jesse Yocom in which Ray refers to Yocom as 'dear friend' and tells him about the pension act saying that if Yocom were still in Kentucky that he (Ray) and John Gritton³ could provide 'good evidence' of Yocom's service.

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¹ This file does not contain an application, either in its Footnote.com or HeritageQuest.com versions. The veteran's lawyer submitted Quirk's affidavit to the Commissioner of Pensions and asked if that testimony would be sufficient to sustain a claim by Yocom. Evidently, the Commissioner answered in the negative as there appears no application was ever filed.

² FPA S31314

³ FPA S13203