

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Meadows R16416

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[Note: the handwriting of this scribe is atrocious – use the following transcript with caution.]

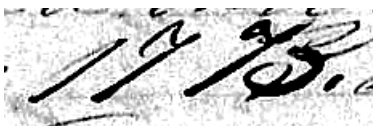
State Illinois

Edgar County: SS

Be it known that before me a Justice of the peace in & for the County of Edgar & State of Illinois who being duly qualified and authorized according to law to administer oaths

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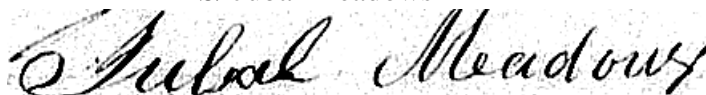
personally appeared Jubal Meadows a resident of the County above stated and the aforesaid State and who being of the age sixty years and who being first qualified and sworn according to law and who personally and made oath that he is the son and heir and lawful Representative of William Meadows who was a Resident formerly of the County of Bedford and the State of Virginia and who was drafted enlisted or volunteered as the case may be entered the Army of the United States composed of the Bedford County militia and the Continental Revolutionary Army and who entered on or about the 18th day of May 1773 [?]¹ and who done duty nine months upwards and who served out faithfully the period of his Enlistment and his engagement & was honorably discharged and who is now Deceased and who died at the Township of [indecipherably faint]² in County of Edgar Illinois State on the 18th day of October 1831 and who done duty in said War of the Revolutionary Army as above stated and who did duty in said war as above Represented and who had not obtained a pension but was entitled to a pension but leaving no surviving widow but leaving heirs & legal representatives. The said Jubal Meadows Applicant hereby claims all that right of claim William Meadows which at law and legal representative of his Father's in his own right that his Father had to any Pension laws or under any act that might [have] been passed by the house of Congress granting pensions to the Revolutionary Soldier who hereby makes application claiming as heir under said Act of Congress passed 7th June 1832. Claiming all that might be due you and owing on to him & any other legal heir & Representative of his Father's Estate & that he for himself as well as any other heirs makes this Application in his own right hand as well any other heir as for himself claiming that right he may be entitled to the pension money that may be due under said Act or any other act that might have been passed by the house of Congress granting pensions to Revolutionary

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officers and Soldiers the said Jubal Meadows makes this Application that he may claim that a [indecipherable word]³ of money owing and due him from the government of the United States and that may be coming to any other heirs as well for them as for himself said Jubal Meadows avers & said that he has no knowledge that any of the Commissioned officers are now surviving but believes them all to be dead & that we [?] have to depend upon the record Evidence such as referenced to the State and Muster Rolls of said Company at Washington that may be within the archives of the government &c

S/ Jubal Meadows



[Note: A typed letter dated May 31, 1838 in response to an inquiry regarding this veteran reads in relevant part as follows:

The date and place of birth and names of parents of William Meadows are not shown.

William Meadows died October 18, 1831, in Stratton Township, Edgar County, Illinois. He left no widow but a son, Jubal Meadows, survived him.

June 12, 1860, Jubal Meadows, aged 60 years and a resident of Edgar County, Illinois, applied in behalf of himself and the other heirs, for the pension that might have been due on account of the service of his father, William Meadows, in the Revolutionary War, and alleged that his father, the said William Meadows, enlisted in Bedford County, Virginia, and served 9 months in the Virginia troops, names of officers and dates of service not given.

His claim was not allowed as there was no law under which the children of a soldier of the Revolutionary War were entitled to a pension at that time.

