

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Chrisman R1936

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Know all men by these presents that I, Joseph Chrisman of the County of Cumberland and State of Kentucky have this day [7 Nov 1835] nominated constituted and appointed, and by these presents doth nominate, constitute, and appoint Sherod Williams of the County of Wayne and State aforesaid my true and lawful attorney in fact for me and in my name and behalf to attend to apply for and receive from the proper agent of officer or officers of the War department at Washington City or else where any Scrip for land or other pay which I may be entitled to for Services rendered by me as a Soldier of the Revolutionary War against the Shawnee Indians in the year 1782. [the rest without further detail not transcribed]

[signed] Joseph Chrisman

State of Kentucky

Wayne County – Sct.

This day personally appeared Jesse Richardson [pension application S30680] before B. Haden a Justice of the Peace in and for Wayne County, state aforesaid, and made oath to the following facts in relation to the services of Joseph Chrisman in order that said Joseph Chrisman may obtain the benefit of the Acts and Resolves of Congress in relation to the Soldiers who served under General George Rogers Clarke [sic: George Rogers Clark].

He states that said Joseph Chrisman Volunteered into the service of the United States at the Craborchard [Crab Orchard] (now in the State of Kentucky) in the year 1782 under Captain John Snoddy, Benjamin Logan being the Colo Commandant of the Regiment in which said Chrisman voluntered. Which Regiment marched from the Craborchard. He states that [John] Floyd was the Col of the Regiment that marched from the falls of the Ohio [at present Louisville] about the same time and said Regiments having rendezvoused at the mouth of Licking there General George Rogers Clarke assumed the Command of them – after said Regiments had rendezvoused as afs'd. they marched against the Shawnee Indians upon the Miami River at the Miami towns – at which place they met and defeated the Indians – after marching 16 miles further into the Indian Country they again met and defeated the Indians at an other one of their towns (the name of which is not now recollected – and from thence they returned to the place from which they first set out. He further states that from the best information he has upon the subject he believes said Chrisman to be about 74 years of age and further this deponent saith not Sworn to and subscribed before the undersigned this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July 1835

[signed] Jesse Richardson

[On 22 March 1853 James S. Chrisman of Monticello in Wayne County KY, heir of Joseph Chrisman, assigned power of attorney to Francis A. Dickins to obtain any benefits available.]

Washington 27 May 1853

Sir [Commissioner of Pensions], Herewith I have the honour to present to you a power of attorney in the case of Joseph Chrisman, a rejected claim for a pension from Kentucky under the act 7 June 1832. You will observe that the claim was rejected under the belief that the Claimant was not in the Revolutionary war, such was not the fact. He served under Gen'l. George R Clarke who commanded in the west against the Indians and British. Under these circumstances I have to ask a re-examination of the claim.

Respectfully/ Francis A. Dickins