

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Jonathan Boyer R20194

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an act entitled "an act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th of May 1828, I Jonathan Boyer of Milford township, in the county of Somerset, in the State of Pennsylvania, do hereby declare that I was an officer in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution and served as such to the time when the arrangement of the Army provided by the resolves of Congress of the 3^d and 21st of October 1780 was carried into effect, and was reduced under that arrangement, at which period I was a Captain in the regiment of the Virginia Line commanded by Colonel Ezekiel Morgan.

And I also declare, that I afterwards received a certificate (commonly called a commutation certificate) for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay; which same was offered by the resolve of Congress, of the 22^d March 1783, instead of the half pay for life, to which I was entitled under the resolve of the 21st of October, 1780.

And I do further declare, that I have received of the United States, as a pensioner, since the 3^d day of March 1826, no money. [signed] Jonathan Boyer

Pennsylvania

Somerset county Sct.

Personally appeared before the subscribe a justice of the peace in & for the county and state aforesaid Joseph Boyer of the township of Southampton in said county & State and on his oath duly administered doth say and depose - that he is a brother of Captain Jonathan Boyer - that the said Jonathan Boyer entered the Army of the Revolution as a private soldier in the Virginia line soon after the "declaration of Independence" - that the said Jonathan Boyer after being in the service about two years received a Lieutenant's commission and was subsequently promoted to the command of a company in the Regiment under Col. Ezekiel Morgan - That the said Jonathan Boyer continued in the Army until the capture of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown Virginia [19 Oct 1781]. And further this deponent saith not. [signed] Joseph Boyer
Sworn & subscribed this 18th day of Sept 1828.