

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Faverty Joseph

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[p5] Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832

The State of Ohio, Scioto County

On this twenty third day of November in the Year one thousand eight hundred and thirty four personally came into open court it being the November Term 1834 of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Scioto, Joseph Faverty a resident of the County of Scioto and State of Ohio aforesaid aged eighty three years and being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States at Southampton in the State of Virginia in the year 1776 for the period of three years in a company commanded by Capt Downtain [?] and marched from there to Williamsburgh [*Williamsburg*] in Virginia to guard a magazine of powder, *where* he remained about fifteen months. When his Captain was broke *And* he transferred to fill up companies under the command of Colonel Mobile [?]. But this affiant does not recollect the name of the Captain to whom he was transferred as he was shortly after taken sick and removed to the hospital where he *remained* about six months. *Nor can* this affiant state the names of any other of his officers but Colonel Mobile. After this affiant was discharged from the hospital he was attached to Colonel Warwick a colonel of artillery as a waiter to Colonel Warwick. And in this capacity he went with Colonel Warwick from Williamsburgh to the Eastern Shore of Virginia and from there to Portsmouth near Norfolk and from there again to Williamsburgh where the period of his enlistment expired. This affiant was discharged by Colonel Warwick. Then he this affiant again enlisted for another period of three years at Williamsburgh in the company of Lieutenant Crump, Captain Slaughter and Regiment of Colonel Mobile. And from there he was marched to guard some military stores on James River above Richmond where he remained on duty for some time when the British appeared and compelled us to retreat and we retreated to Goochland [sic Goochland?] court house. And from thence up James River to New London. After this again marched down James River and spent considerable time in collecting

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the military stores that had been concealed [?] and _____ted by the British who had blown up the powder magazine and destroyed the foundry. At this time the last enlistment of this affiant having expired. He again enlisted in a company in the regiment under Colonel Dabney during the War. This affiant cannot state the names of the officers under whom he served in the regiment of Colonel Dabney with certainty. But from a best recollection he believes that Lieutenant Crump was promoted to Captaincy in Colonel Dabney's regiment and that it was in his company that the last service of this affiant was performed. Shortly after enlisting at Goochland [?] Court House in Colonel Dabney's regiment he was marched from thence to Little York where this affiant was in active service during the siege until the surrender of Cornwallis. From there he was marched to Richmond where he was discharged. This affiant further states for the two first tours of his enlistment he served as a private soldier and a waiter of Colonel Warwick. And that he was principally engaged in guarding the military store at Williamsburgh and on James River Virginia And that for the period of the last enlistment he also served as a private soldier in active service

against the common enemy. Which last service according to the passing recollection of this affiant was something less than *a Year* [inked over words] six months. This affiant states further that while at Richmond after his discharge he received for his services a Land Warrant signed by Governor Henry of Virginia that he sold to *one* Francis Graves of Richmond for the sum of fifty dollars. This affiant remained a few years at Richmond where he was employed by John Savaris and Albert Gallatin and went with them to Pennsylvania where he remained about two years when he was employed upon a surveying team upon the Big Kanawha Virginia where he was employed some time. When he returned to Fayette County Pennsylvania where he resided about ten years. And from there he emigrated to the County of Scioto and State of Ohio where he has resided the last thirty three years. This affiant further states that he was about twenty five years of age at the time of his first enlistment.

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This affiant states that he has lost all evidence of his said services. And that owing to his age and infirmity he can call to mind no other facts or circumstances in corroboration them of than as above stated. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a person or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of agency of any state. This affiant further states that he has twice before made application to the Departments for a pension. The first on the Twentieth day of December 1820 which said application was after some time returned to this affiant requiring proof that the service was on Continental Establishment. When the situation of this affiant precluded him from pursuing his application. By reason of the Alteration of the law excluding those who were in a situation to support themselves from becoming a public charge. This affiant further shows that on the Eighth day of September 1832 he renewed his application which was again a long time returning to him because the periods and length of his service was not stated with sufficient precision. This affiant begs leave further to state that perhaps from delay and confusion his answers in his application from this facts and state of circumstances. This affiant is a native of France and emigrated to America when he was about and not more than ten years of age. For the fifteen years afterward up to the period of his enlistment he lived in French families and not being then or now able to read or write. He could scarcely speak any English at the time of his enlistment. And after his first enlistment at Southampton Virginia his mess gave this affiant the nickname of Murphy [?] for what cause he cannot now state. Yet he well recollects that the nick name of Murphy became indelibly attached to him. And he thinks it took its origin from some circumstance while in the service of Colonel Warwick as aforesaid. Be that as it may this affiant well recollects that among the American soldiers he was better known by the name of Jo. Murphy than by his true name Joseph Faverty. This affiant well recollecting this circumstance truly believes that his

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two last enlistments aforesaid were more evidenced upon the roll of the army by his nick name as by his true name. This affiant begs leave to state one other circumstance in relation to which he may mistake in his statement aforesaid and the reason of his doubt in his own mind. And that is in relation to the name of the captain under whom he made his first enlistment. This affiant thinks his name was Downtain [sic d Antignac, Louis Jean Baptist]. This affiant also thinks that the name of the captain of the ship with who he crossed the Atlantic fifteen years before his enlistment was Laport. Now this affiant fears that it is possible that from this circumstance and this indistinctness of his memory that he may have made a mistake in this particular. In conclusion this affiant declares that he is solemnly impressed with the conviction that his services for the periods aforesaid and evidences upon the rolls of the Department by the names of

Joseph Faverty or Jo Murphy upon the muster roll of Colonel Dabney's regiment and also on the muster roll Colonel Mobile's regiment and in the returns of Colonel Warwick of the Artillery.

Sworn to and subscribed

Joseph Faverty x his mark

In open court this 27th day of

November 1834.

John R Turner, Clerk

[routine county supporting statements and certification

Michael Baccus, neighbor

William M Bush, neighbor

J.R. Turner Clergy

John R Turner, clerk

Thomas Irvin, presiding judge

Samuel Crull, William Givins, Joseph Moore, associate judges