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Pension Application of Jacob Ford R3655

[VA]

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[The following is from a typed summary in the file dated 10 Aug 1934.]

In 1835, Jacob Ford made application for pension under the Act of June 7, 1832, his application being submitted from Monroe Court House, Missouri.

There are no statements on file which were made by the soldier because in the effort to obtain his pension, he solicited the aid of Honorable John Jameson, House of Representatives, to whom the soldier's application was sent and never returned to the Pension Office.

In a few bits of correspondence now on file in regard to the pension, it is shown that Jacob Ford volunteered and served in 1779 and 1780, as a spy and ranger against the Indians in Kentucky; also that he enlisted in Virginia, and served from June, 1781, until after the surrender of Cornwallis in October, 1781, in the Virginia Troops. No names of officers are given for either of the above noted tours.

His claim was not allowed as the kind of service rendered by the soldier was not provided for in the Act of Congress under which he applied, the requirements of that act being service of six months in a regularly organized military corps.

NOTE: The last paragraph above is only half true: the pension act of 1832 did not require that the service be in a regularly organized military corps. A letter from in the file from the Pension Office also states that Ford and others "who acted as alleged in the capacity of Spies or Rangers, are not provided for by the pension laws, unless they were specially ordered out by states authority." This statement is also false. For further discussion see my appendix to the pension application of David W. Sleeth S6111.