

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Fulton R3849

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State of Ohio } Ss:

Gallia County }

On this 12th day of April A.D. 1836, personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Thomas Irvin, President, and Thomas Rodgers, John Holcomb and Joseph Fletcher, associates, sitting, James Fulton, a resident of said County of Gallia and State of Ohio, aged eighty four years (84) who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th A.D. 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers named, and served as herein stated:

That in June, A.D. 1778 he entered into the service of the United States under Lieutenant John Wahab [also spelled Wauchub, Vauchub, Vachol, etc.], who commanded a company of drafted militia (there being no captain at the time in commission in the said Company) from the County of Augusta in the State of Virginia. The day on which he was drafted he does not recollect, but remembers that it was in June, 1778. After being drafted as aforesaid, he proceeded, under the command of said Lieutenant Wahab, to the Warm Springs [in present Bath County], where said Company joined the Regiment commanded by Col. Abram Smith, and from thence proceeded with said Regiment to Hall's Fort, on Jackson's River [Jackson River], where he remained five weeks, and then received his discharge and returned home, to Augusta County, Virginia - which discharge has been either lost or destroyed.

That in the month of December, A.D. 1779 he was drafted in the militia in the County of Augusta, in the State of Virginia, for three months, and was attached to a company commanded by Captain William Kincade [also spelled Kincaid and Kinhead], and marched to Portsmouth at the mouth of James River in Virginia, and at that place joined the Regiment commanded by Col. Sampson Matthews, in said month of December, 1779, and was attached to General Muhlenburg's [sic: Peter Muhlenberg's] Brigade, and after serving out the full term of said three months, he was with the rest of said company discharged by Captain Kincade, by a written discharge certifying that he had performed his tour of three months, which said discharge was dated the fore part of April, in the year 1780; but said discharge has been since either lost or destroyed. He then returned to Augusta County, Virginia, his place of residence.

He further states, that in the month of August, in the year 1781, he was again drafted for three months, and placed in a company commanded by Lieutenant Wahab, and attached to a regiment commanded by Col. Samuel Lewis. He was then by order of said Col. Lewis, directed to press into service a wagon and team and convey the baggage to South river, which was about forty miles distant, and then, (being a blacksmith by trade) he was directed by said Col. Lewis to do certain blacksmith work, and then to come and join his company near Little York. and after having pressed a wagon and team, and conveyed said baggage as ordered, which took him about two months, he hired a substitute by the name of John Grinter, who was accepted in his place for the balance of the time for which he had been drafted, and he again returned home to Augusta county, Virginia.

He further states that he knows of no person whomsoever, by whom he can prove the services aforesaid, but he is willing to testify, and does hereby swear that he actually served as hereinbefore set forth, making in all more than six months service: That he is old and infirm, very poor and needy and unable to support himself comfortably in life; That he has served faithfully; and if testimony other than he hereby offers is required, he knows no possible means of obtaining it. He was born in Augusta County, in the State of Virginia on the 15th of April, A.D. 1751, according to the record of his parents and resided in said County until within about twenty eight years, since which time he has resided in Addison township, in the County of Gallia & State of Ohio.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present

and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any state or the Agency of any state or Territory.
James hisXmark Fulton

NOTES:

John Steuart (pension application S19474), James Steuart (S6159), and John McCutchan (S13886) deposed that they had served with Fulton at Portsmouth.

An 1850 document in the file refers to J. R. Fulton of Gallipolis OH as executor of the estate of James Fulton.