

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Gibson (Gipson) R3998

Mary Gibson

VA

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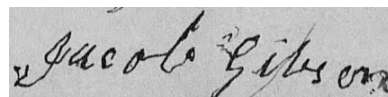
State of Kentucky County of Barren Sct

On the 15th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Benjamin [last name illegible] the Justice of the Barren County Court now sitting, it being a Court of Record Jacob Gipson (alias Gibson) a resident of Barren County in the state of Kentucky, aged 76 years who being first duly sworn according law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated; That he enlisted the 24th day of September 1777 for 3 years under Capt. Elias Edmunds in the Virginia state line in the artillery & immediately entered the service & marched directly off to Yorktown in the state of Virginia and was stationed at York town 2 years and 6 months, thence we were marched to Hillsborough in the state of North Carolina; thence we were marched to South Carolina, to Roogely's (alias ooge's) mills [sic: Rugeley's Mill about 12 mi N of Camden], thence we were marched to a place that was called (as he thinks the green springs or green swamp [sic: Gum Swamp] in South Carolina) and there (if he is not mistaken in the name of the place) he was in the Battle at Gate's defeat [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780]. After the dispersion in consequence of s'd. defeat he met at Richmond Virginia and there received a discharge from Thomas Marshall who was the Colonel of the Regiment in which he was enlisted; that he resided at the time he was enlisted as af'd. in Forquire [sic: Fauquier] County state of Virginia; that Henry Vowels [Henry Vowles] was the adjutant of the Regiment in which he served, that Sam'l. Blackwell was the lieutenant of the Company of s'd. Capt Edmunds that s'd. Capt Edmunds was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in the s'd. Regiment which was the second Regiment of what was called the Virginia state troops in the Artillery; ~~that John Yates was the Ensign of the Company~~ in he does not now recollect who was the ensign of his compay or whether there was any. He further states that in the year 1781 he volunteered under Capt. Daniel Richardson [probably of the Hampshire County VA Militia] for a tour of 3 months against the tories and served the whole of said 3 months and was then discharged by Capt. Richardson – that the tories against whom the expedition was conducted lived on the south branch of the Potomac River State of Virginia, that his discharges as af'd. were written and signed by the said Marshall and Richardson, but in the year 1789 he was unfortunate and got his house burned and his discharges were burnt in it. He further states that he served the full time of 3 years for which he was enlisted ~~and that his time was out before the battle at Gates' defeat, but he was determined to remain till the battle should be fought.~~ He further states that there was a Maj'r. Drew and Capt [Christopher] Roane attached to the Regiment to which he belonged – that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no one by whom he can prove his service whose testimony he can procure.

The said Jacob Gipson (alias Gibson) hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.



Question 1st Where and in what year were you born? In Prince William County Virginia in the year 1756.

Question 2nd. Have you any record of your age, if so where is it? No. My father had it recorded in his Bible, but I do not know where it is at present. Qust 3rd. Where were you living when called into service, were you drafted, were you a volunteer or a substitute, if a substitute, for whom? I lived in Forquire County Virginia and enlisted there.

Quest 4th. Where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you live now? I lived 4 years

after the war in Forquire County, then moved to South Carolina and lived there about ten years, then I moved to Kentucky Barren County where I have continued to live and now live.

Quest 5th. State the names of some of the revolutionary officers who were with the troops where you served, each Continental and Militia Regiment as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service? Elias Edmunds, Samuel Blackwell, Maj'r. Drew, Capt. Roane, Capt [Gideon] Johnson, Capt [Henry] Quarles, Capt. Plummer. I was in the 2nd Regiment of the artillery, state Regiment. I cannot state any other Regiment. I was in the Battle of Gates' defeat — Did you receive a discharge if so by whom was it given and where is it? I rec'd. a discharge from Thomas Marshall and it was burt in my house when it was burnt State the names of the persons who live in your neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for viracity and their belief of your services as a revolutionary soldier [Left unanswered, the certificates already having been obtained.]

[The following is from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#). The online image is poor, and another is illegible.

This is to certify that Jacob Gibson a soldier belonging to Colo Marshalls Regt. of state artillery was Inlisted the 16th of September in the year 1777, and serv'd as a faithful soldier the term of three years which he was Inlisted for and is hereby discharg'd [illegible signature]
A Copy Jno. Randolph [illegible]

NOTES:

The name Jacob Gipson appears on a list of soldiers in Capt. Elias Edmunds's company (<http://southerncampaign.org/pen/b56.pdf>).

On 11 Apr 1839 Mary Gibson, 76, applied for a pension stating that she married Jacob Gibson in Laurens County SC on 9 Feb 1784, and he died 8 Feb 1839 in Barren County. Jacob Gibson exhibited a family record with the following extract: "Jacob Gibson was married to Mary Box on the 9 day of Febuary in the yer of our Lord 1784." On 14 Aug 1854 Jacob W. Gibson of De Kalb County AL, the only surviving child of Jacob and Mary Gibson, applied for the pension due his mother from the last scheduled payment until her death on 11 Aug 1841. Harris Gipson certified that Mary Gibson had died at his house in Edmonson County KY, as he recollected from having had a child born the same month in the previous year.