

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Jackson R5529

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[p 8] State of Indiana Floyd County: SS

On this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March personally appeared before the Board of Commissioners of County of Floyd & State of Indiana Samuel Jackson a resident of said County aged seventy-seven years who 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered into the Army of the United States in the year 1775 in the month of September with Captain Cuthbert Harrison & served under the following named officers Colonel William Grayson, Major Lavin Powel [Levin Powell] & continued as a private in this minute service six months –

In March 1776 – Volunteered under Captain Jonathan Furguson [Jonathan Ferguson] and continued in this service four months –

In July 1776, he enlisted in the regular Service under Captain Thomas West in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Virginia Regiment for three years or during the War.

He was born in the year 1756 at Prince William County State of Virginia has no record of his age.

When he was called into the service he lived at Dumfries Prince William County State of Virginia – since the revolutionary war he lived in Virginia until 1798 he then moved to Kentucky Mason County & lived in Kentucky until 1820 – then moved to Floyd County State of Indiana where he now resides. –

He volunteered under Captain Harrison & under Ferguson, & enlisted in the regular service under Captain West –

He was engaged in the battle at Norfolk long bridge<sup>1</sup> when under Captain Ferguson –

When under Captain Harrison he marched to Williamsburg then to little York & thence to Hampton where he wintered & his six months expired in the minute service – he was a private in this service –

Under Captain Ferguson he marched to Norfolk long bridge, and after the battle of Hampton – then returned to Dumfries – & in July 1776 enlisted in the regular Service for three years or during the war & marched to Alexander from thence to Baltimore then started for Philadelphia on the way to Philadelphia – was taken sick & unable to march and was put into a

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<sup>1</sup> The Battle of Long Bridge or Great Bridge took place on December 9, 1775. The veteran may or may not be referring to this engagement. Clearly the time he states he was under the officer at that engagement does not match the date of the engagement.

baggage wagon which wagon was upset by which means he received an injury which disabled him from service & was permitted to return to Dumfries on parole to return to the Army if fit for duty but was not fit for duty again during the war – but was at all times during the war under the control of the Army. –

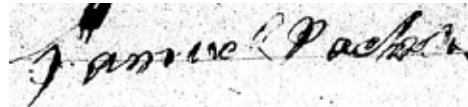
His Officers in the first Service was Captain Harrison, Major Levin Powel & Colonel William Grayson –

2. Jonathan Ferguson Captain – Colonel Steel in the regular Service, he enlisted under Captain West, but was attached to the company of Captain Philip Lee, Major Andrew Leach [Andrew Leitch] & Colonel Weedon [George Weedon] 3<sup>rd</sup> Virginia Regiment – he never received a written discharge he is acquainted with Isaac Henry [?] & \_\_

He has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

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 the agency of any State –

S/ Samuel Jackson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel Jackson". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted to the right.

[Seth Woodruff, a clergyman, and Lathrop Eccleskin [?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 34: On September 17, 1841 in Morgan County Illinois, the veteran applied for the transfer of his pension benefit to the Illinois agency stating that he had moved to Morgan County Illinois where he intends to remain to live with his children because of his advanced years and that his eyesight has nearly failed him.]

[p 4: On May 1, 1855 in Morgan County Illinois, Reuben Wright and Kessiah Wright his wife, aged respectively 64 years and 53 years made application for the pension due Kessiah's mother as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner; they state that Kessiah Wright is the daughter of Samuel Jackson; that besides Kessiah there were the following children Samuel Jackson: Lucy Stansberry, Nancy Daniels, Polly Weldon, Charles Jackson, Zepenia Jackson & John Jackson; that there are no other children or children of children surviving as of 1855; that Samuel Jackson died in Morgan County Illinois March 12, 1844 leaving a widow Vashti Jackson who died September 28, 1846 at age 83; that she remembers her mother saying that she married Samuel Jackson when she was 19 years old; that subtracting her age would mean her mother was born in 1763 and was married in 1782; that she remembers her parents stating that they were married in Culpeper County Virginia by a minister named Hobbs.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months in the Virginia militia.]