

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jack Murray R7520

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State of Alabama Pike County

On this 8th day of November 1832 personally appeared before the Judge of the County Court for the County aforesaid Jack Murray a resident of Pike County aforesaid aged about 70 or 72 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the Navy of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he volunteered his services and went aboard a cutter under the command of Captain Rogers and served aboard said cutter for the Term of three years or thereabouts. That he was born between St mallo [? St. Malo?] and Dinna [? Dinan?] in France that he came to America under the command of Lafayette aboard the *Silva* and landed at Savannah Georgia at which place he volunteered his services under Captain Rodgers as aforesaid that from thence they sailed towards George town. That he received a discharge at the end of the three years of his service signed by Captain Rodgers that he left in office for record in Darien Georgia about two years after the war. That at the time he was in the United States service he was entirely unacquainted with the English language from which cause he is unable to give a correct a statement as he otherwise would be able to do, and that he is also illiterate and had very little knowledge of dates.

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. He would in addition state that about 2 years after the revolution [he] went back to France on a visit was pressed and taken aboard a vessel belonging to the French Navy -- was afterwards taken a prisoner by the British and cast into prison at Liverpool, was afterwards put aboard a British vessel where he worked as a hand until retaken by the French and landed again in Savannah has since resided in North and South Carolina and in the State of Alabama.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ A. McCole, Judge

S/ Jack Murray, X his mark

[Thomas Pugh, Clerk of the Circuit Court, and Jacinth Jackson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]