

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Philips R8197

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State of Tennessee Giles County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions May Term 1825

On this 24th day of May 1825 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the County of Giles, James Phillips [sic] resident in said County aged eighty-five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 that he the said James Phillips enlisted for the term of fifteen months on the ___ day of ___ in the year ___ the date not recollected in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain John Powell in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Flood Edmonds [also spelled John Flood Edmunds]¹ in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the expiration of his said term of service when he was discharged from the said service in Elsebeth [?] in the State of Virginia –

That he was in no battles except a Battle at the aforesaid place where he was discharged – That he was discharged by General John Crawford; & has had said discharge accidentally consumed by fire and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services –

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Schedule of the property of the above declarant

I am by profession (or rather was and I was able) a cultivator of the earth – I am now altogether unable to pursue my profession – My wife who is near eighty years of age, is the only member of my family – She is unable to contribute anything to my support. As to my property except one bed & an [indecipherable word]² – I have nothing –

S/ James Philips, X his makr

¹ A colonel in the Brunswick County, Virginia militia

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