

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Josiah Puckett (Pucket) R8510

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State of Kentucky Livingston County Court May Term 1818

Present: Patrick H Rice, William Montgomery, James Hodge, Gentlemen Justices

The following order was made to wit

Josiah Puckett came into court and applied to be heard has an indigent soldier of the revolution entitled to provision made for such persons under the Law of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and made solemn oath that he enlisted in the Continental Army for and during the war in March 1781 the same year of the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Campbell that he fought in that battle and that after serving 18 months in that Regiment he entered into a Corps of Continental light horse commanded by Colonel White and continued in the service until the end of the war when he was furloughed home and from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support.

I Enoch Prince clerk of the court aforesaid do hereby certify that the Above is a true copy from the record in my office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court this 18th day of May 1818

S/ Enoch Prince, Clerk

Circuit Court for the County of Montgomery & State of Tennessee: August Term 1820

On this 25th day of August 1820 in open Court being a Court of record Holden by the Honorable Alfred M Harris Esquire Judge of said Circuit for the said County – Personally appeared Josiah Puckett aged 68 years resident in said County who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War in Captain John Hughes company of Cavalry in Bland's Regiment as will appear by his declaration made on __ and now in the pension Office – that he has received a Certificate of the Number 13.513 – and 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, viz.

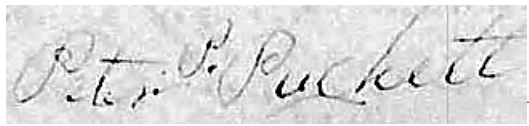
1 Horse quite old may be worth	30.00
2 Common Chairs 50 cents each	1.00
1 Skillet & Lid	1.50

and I do further declare the above is a just and true list of my property (necessary bedding & clothing excepted) that I am a Farmer by occupation and lived with my wife alone – My children being all grown and removed from me – and that by reason of my Age and Concomitant Infirmities I am unable to Labor to earn a necessary and adequate Support – My wife is also infirm and contributes but little to the support of either herself or me.

S/ Josiah Pucket, X his mark

[f p. 11: On January 10, 1821, the veteran applied in Montgomery County Tennessee for the transfer of his pension benefit to the Kentucky agency, presumably because it was closer to his home then the Tennessee agency.]

[f p. 13: On July 27, 1853 in Madison County Kentucky, Peter P Puckett, a resident of Madison County Tennessee, made application stating that he is the son of Josiah Puckett, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$8 per month; that his father died in Madison County about the year 1843; that his father left a widow to whom he was married in Montgomery County Tennessee and said Martha Puckett lived several years after the death of Josiah Puckett leaving 3 heirs, Peter P Puckett, Mary Stove & Sarah Thedford. That his mother never applied for the pension due her under the 1836 act.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peter P. Puckett". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The letters are connected and fluid, with a prominent "P" at the beginning and "Puckett" at the end. The signature is positioned above a small closing bracket "]" on the right side.

[Facts in file: Veteran died September 9, 1843 in Madison County Tennessee; that his widow, Martha, died prior to July 27, 1853.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 18, 1818, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[Note: the information appearing in Josiah Pucket VAS294 MAY apply to this veteran]

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Addendum to Josiah Puckett (Pucket) R8510

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 18 Jan 2021.

It appears from the size roll 5th Troop that Josiah Puckett enlisted for the War in first Regiment Light Dragoons 25 March 1781 and served the full term of his inlistment.

Wm Barrett [William Barret VAS1197] f[ormer]ly
Capt Baylors Dragoons
9th [undeciphered] 1785

Copy/ Markes Vanduvall