

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Royer R9059

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State of Lawrence County: On this 13th day of March 1826 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for said County of Lawrence having been expressly made a Court of record by the law creating the said Court John Royer resident in said County aged sixty-seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and 1st May 1820. That he said John Royer enlisted for and during the war in the month of August in the year 1773 date not recollected in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain James Fitzpatrick in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Taylor in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the Army of the United States for and during the war when he was discharged from the service in the State of New Jersey being then in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Sinclair in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Bailey in the Battalion commanded by Major James Reed that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any State except the State of North Carolina so far as this affiant knows no he was in different states and in different regiments during the time of his service and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension to wit he did not know the proper method of making application and was unwilling to call on his Country for a support as long as he could by any means avoid it. He was in the Battle of Brandywine, Germantown and White Plains and was wounded at the Battle of Brandywine and at the White Plains and was taken into the Hospital at both places. 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

Three pots a skillet and an oven nine or ten plates a pocket knife

S/ John Royer, X his mark

His occupation is that of tilling the earth or farming and from the wounds he has received as above and from age he is not able to labor at his business or any other so as to be able to support himself, he has no family but lives with his two sons in said County sometimes at the house of one and then at the house of the other, that since the 18th March 1818 the following changes

have been in my property to wit at that time on two horse beasts five or six cattle and a few hogs the horses and cattle have died, and the hogs have been used for support.

S/ John Royer, Senior, X his mark

Sworn to and declared in open Court March 13th 1826

Raleigh 15th May 1826

Sir

Your letter of the 10th Instant was received this morning accompanying the Declaration of John Royer, and requesting I would search the rolls in my office and give the usual certificate of service. I have examined the rolls, but do not find the name of John Royer thereon, neither do I find the names of any of the Officers mentioned in his Declaration except James Reid, who stands as 1st Lieutenant commissioned on the 7th of July 1776 in Captain Dixon's Company of the 1st Regiment promoted to Captain 8th of July 1777 -- Pay Master first June 1778, Prisoner 12th May 1780, which is all that is said of him on said rolls.

I am respectfully your Obedient Servant

S/ Wm Hill

James L. Edwards, Esquire Chief Clerk Pension Office