

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Jared S1539

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State of Tennessee Jackson County: SS

On this 20th day of March 1833 personally appeared in open court the same being the Circuit Court of the County & State aforesaid now sitting & the same being a court of record, Joseph Jared a resident citizen of said County & State, aged 73 on the 2nd day of January last 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 service of the United States under the following named officers & served as hereinafter stated, (to wit) On the 12th day of October 1779 in Loudon [Loudoun] County Virginia at Lacy's Tavern on Bulskin Creek, he entered the service of the US as a volunteer under Captain Daniel Feagans [Daniel Feagan's], Lieutenant John Russell, Ensign Samuel Oliphant, Colonel __ Russell, Major __ Merriweather [probably Thomas Meriwether] & Major __ (this last named Major was called Major Dick by the soldiers but whether that was his real name applicant does not know -) Colonel Russell's Regiment was immediately marched from Lacy's Tavern aforesaid to Richmond Virginia with an expectation of going from that place to Hillsboro, but when we arrived at Richmond, we were order[ed] to march to Pourtsmouth [Portsmouth] on Nansemond River, after being at Portsmouth a few days we were marched from that place to Cabbin Point [Cabin Point] here we stayed a few days, and were thence marched to an old field the distance, not recollected, where we were stationed about 10 or 15 days. At this place we built large tents of green pines with much order and regularity as to their arrangement after the manner of streets in a Town, and in consequence of this circumstance we called the place Green Town by which name it has been called & known ever since - From Green Town we were marched to Petersburg Virginia and were stationed about one mile from that place here we remained until our term of three months, the time for which we had volunteered, had expired, and during the time we were at this last place the Regiment was reviewed by General Steuben; after which the General complemented the soldiers for their patriotism, in volunteering in the service of our Country, calling us good boys, and then dismissed the soldiers from further service at that time, saying that we must come out again at a moment's warning if we should be wanting, we received no written discharges - Applicant returned home and remained until sometime in the summer of 1781, and again volunteered in the service of the United States in Loudoun County Virginia, & at the same Lacy's Tavern under Captain Elgin [Gustavus Elgin], Lieutenant Russell, Ensign not recollected, Colonel George West, Major Meriwether, the others name not recollected. We again marched to Richmond, thence immediately to Gloucester, in Gloucester County near Little York, where we joined the main Army under the command of General Washington, here we remained

during the balance of the summer & fall, until sometime after Cornwallis surrendered [October 19, 1781], how long he cannot precisely state, After the Battle was over we were only employed in guarding the prisoners, until we started to Nowlings Ferry [Noland's Ferry] on the Potomac River to which place we guarded the prisoners, where we were again dismissed from service without receiving any written discharges – he was not engaged in any other battle or engagement, but the Battle at Little York, he states that he was engaged in the service, during the last Campaign, at least three months, and to the best of his knowledge and belief it was more than that length of time – which together with his first mentioned term of service would make more than six months – he has no documentary evidence of his services, never having received any written discharges from any of his officers, nor does he know of any person by whom he can prove his said services –

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the roll of the agency of any State.

Interrogatories –

1. Where & in what year were you born?

Ans. I was born in the year 1760 in Loudoun County Virginia

2. Have you any record of your age & if so where is it?

Ans. I have the record of my age at home in my family Bible.

3. Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the revolutionary war, and where do you now live?

Ans. My place of residence when called into service is stated in the foregoing part of this declaration. Some considerable time after the close of the war I moved to Bedford County Virginia where I resided until about twenty-three years ago I moved to Jackson County Tennessee where I now live.

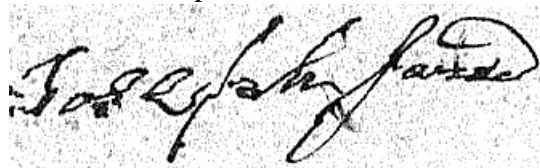
4. How were you called into service, were you drafted or did you volunteer, or were you a Substitute? – The answer to this interrogatory may also be found in the foregoing declaration – The answer to the 5th & 6th interrogatory prescribed by the war Department may also be found in the foregoing declaration.

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood & who can testify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution.

Sworn to in open court the 20th day of March 1833

S/ James T Quarles, Clerk

S/ Joseph Jared

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joseph Jared". The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured paper.

[John Wheeler, a clergyman, and Alfred Vannerson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]