

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Wiseman S16298

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State of Indiana Cass County: SS

On this 23rd day of October in the year of our Lord 1832 in open Court before the Honorable John R Porter & John Smith Judge[s] of this Circuit Court for the County aforesaid, personally appeared James Wiseman now a resident of said County aged seventy-three years in January last, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to attain the benefit of the act of Congress of June the 7th day 1832. –

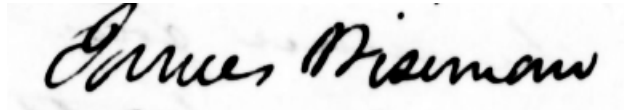
That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, to wit – During the Revolution he was a resident of Rowan County in the State of North Carolina and was drafted and entered the service of the United States in a company of North Carolina militia under Captain Richard Graham, Lieutenant Thomas Cowan, Ensign __ Wash, was marched to Camden, thence to Charleston South Carolina, served about 3 months & was discharged by General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] a few days before the siege of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780]. That he again entered the service of the United States as a volunteer under Captain Merick Davis, Lieutenant Jonathan Cruger [could be Jonathan Conyer] – marched from Salisbury North Carolina down the Yadkin [River] to the Pedee [River] – thence to Lynches Creek, where he became sick and hired a substitute, by the name of James Watson, to serve the balance of his term, and that he the deponent returned home, that he served by himself and substitute [indecipherable word or words] under said Captain Davis a three months tour of duty and received a discharge from Colonel John Hampton.

That he was again drafted and placed under Captain E. Gammel [Gamble or Gambell?, probably Edward Gamble], by Colonel Locke a Continental officer and served three months at Salisbury and was discharged from service by said Captain Gammel, but does not recollect whether this discharge was signed by Captain Gammel or by some other officer. That he was again drafted and placed under the command of Captain John Lopp of North Carolina, Lieutenant Joseph Cunningham and served four months, part of this tour was under General Rutherford in Light horse service in pursuit of Tories. This Troop was marched to attack the Tories at a Brick house near Wilmington where he was wounded in the right leg by a shot from the Tories under Tory Colonel Fannon [sic, David Fanning] at the Raft Swamp in North Carolina – thence in pursuit of the Tories, and was continued in the service four months. He was frequently engaged in short scouts after the Tories, for which he neither received nor expected to receive pay nor rations. This deponent further states that after the close of the Revolutionary war not expecting that his discharges would ever be of any use to him, they were neglected or thrown

away as useless paper and are all lost. Deponent further states that sometime after the close of the revolutionary war he moved to Madison County in the state of Kentucky where he resided about seven years – thence to Cumberland County in same state where he dwelt about six years – he then moved to Butler County in the State of Ohio, resided there seven years and returned to Kentucky, lived there one year, and moved thence to Harrison County in the State of Indiana about the close of the late war.

This deponent further declares that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service, and that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity whatever except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James Wiseman

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Wiseman". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered below the typed name.

[Cyrus Vigus and Benjamin Hurst gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$37.66 commencing March 4th, 1831, for 11 1/2 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]