

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Patton S1777

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State of Tennessee Monroe County: On this 6th day of March 1833 personally appeared before me Samuel Jamieson one of the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the said County of Monroe Jacob Patton a resident of said County aged seventy-seven years, 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 7, 1832.

That in the summer of the year 1776 or '77, he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer for six months in Augusta County Virginia, where he then resided, under the following named officers, viz.: Colonel Christy [William Christian] from Augusta County Virginia, and Russell from Carolina commanded the Regiment, Captain John Lyle commanded the company in which he served a part of the time; and Lieutenant William McClutcheon of the same company was afterwards made Captain and commanded the balance of the time. That he was marched over the mountains into the Indian country (now in the bounds of Tennessee) against the Indians, and dismissed on the waters of the Tennessee River in the bounds of what is now the said County of Monroe. He entered the service early in July and was dismissed late in December so that he served at least 5 ½ months. He received no discharge. – He declares further that after the foregoing term of service (he disremembers how long) he volunteered against the Indians, under Captain James Tate and Lieutenant John McKany. It was he thinks in the month of June, and the purpose for which he volunteered was to go to the assistance of those who held Warrick's Fort, which was besieged by the Indians. He was marched over the North Mountain (from Augusta County Virginia where he still resided) into the Greenbrier settlements on Jackson River. He was in service this time twenty days and received no discharge.

– He declares further that one or two years after the last named service, word came to Augusta County Virginia, that the British Light horse were in Richmond and he together with others was drafted to go immediately to Richmond. He thinks it was in the month of June, and that he was drafted for twenty days. He was under command of Colonel Boyer [probably William Bowyer]; and Captain Samuel McClutcheon [Samuel McCutchen] a part of the time, and the balance of the time under Captain William Tate. He and those with him joined General Wayne between Richmond and Jamestown. They had a skirmish with the British at old James town [July 6, 1781] in which Colonel Boyer was taken prisoner. He thinks the battle was in the July before the surrender of Cornwallis. After the battle he (with the Company of William Tate) was retained till the arrival of General Lawson. In this tour (being detained) he was in service thirty days. He received no discharge.

He declares further that he would was enrolled by Lieutenant Nelson as a soldier of General Washington's life-guard for one year, and was mustered into service; but was dismissed until he should be called on which never took place. That, in the three terms he served seven

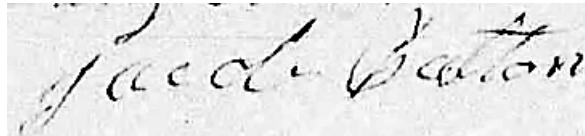
months and a half and always as a private. – He received no discharge in either case – having asked for none – and has no documentary evidence. And he knows of no one whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. He was born in York County Pennsylvania, about the year 1756; but has no record of his age, & knows it only by the statements of his parents. He lived in said Augusta County Virginia when he entered service each time, and remained there till about 34 years ago, when he moved into Knox County Tennessee: where he lived till about 10 years ago, when he moved into the said County of Monroe Tennessee where he now resides. He mentions the following persons who are at present his neighbors, and can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution, viz. Stephen Low, Thomas Clark, James Martin, Martin Low, William Carter & Thomas Simpson.

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

Sworn to and subscribed the day
and year aforesaid.

S/ Samuel Jamieson, JP

S/ Jacob Patton

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jacob Patton". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.

[Abel Pearson, a clergyman, and Stephen Low gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.88 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months & 5 days in the Virginia militia.]