

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jeremiah Robinson S18180

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State of Missouri County of Madison: SS

On this 14th day of August A.D. 1832, personally appeared before Thomas Cooper, William Anthony and Anthony Clubb Justices of the County Court of Madison County in State of Missouri aforesaid, now sitting, Jeremiah Robinson, a resident of Saint Michael Township in the County of Madison and State of Missouri aged seventy-five 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 the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

Said affiant living in Bedford County Virginia and in the month of April or May in the year 1777 or 8 voluntarily joined a militia company under the command of Captain James Dickson, Lieutenant Christopher Erwin; that during his service in said company he performed a tour of duty of about six months: that said company marched from Bedford County through Botetourt County, crossed New River at Englishes Ferry and went to the Rye Cove Fort near the head of Clinch River; that said company was stationed at said Fort about three months; at which time they were ordered and marched to long Island upon Holston River, judge guard a body of Indians who had come thither to treat for peace: From Long Island said applicant returned with the company back to Bedford and was discharged.

Said applicant also states that he served another term or tour of six months, or thereabout, under the command of Captain Robert Adams and Colonel Charles Linch [Charles Lynch] – In which service he marched from Bedford County Virginia to Chissell's lead mines on New River, and was retained there among the troops allotted to guard those mines, until discharged. Said applicant states that from the great number of years, he cannot recollect the precise year when the service mentioned was rendered, whether in the year 1777 or 1778, but that he did serve the two different tours mentioned and for the time specified in each –

Applicant states that he has no documents by which he can establish the above statements, that not expecting any relief from Government, he has not kept his discharges which he once had; and that he does not know of any person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service.

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/ Jeremiah Robinson

[William McMurtrey, a clergyman, and Joseph Bennett gave the standards supporting affidavit.]

State of Missouri Madison County: SS

In the County Court of the County of Madison in the State of Missouri Term of August year 1833

On this 27th day of August in the year 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices thereof in the aforesaid County court now sitting, Jeremiah Robinson, and makes the following declaration to amend his original declaration, in order to obtain a pension.

That he was born in the State of Virginia and raised in Bedford County, that about the age of twenty years, in the year 1777, he volunteered as a private to supply a militia draft, or call for a draft may on the Militia of that County for six months, and was first mustered into service, at Bedford court house, in the company commanded by Captain James Dickson – Said company marched from Bedford courthouse to the Rye Cove Fort, near the Head of Clinch River, there we were stationed for three months, after that time we marched to Long Island on Holston River to garrison the Fort, where we remained three months and were discharged. While there a treaty was concluded between Colonel Christy [William Christian] and Colonel Shelby [Isaac Shelby] and the Cherokee Indians – Christy and Shelby were the only field officers there as recollected. The duties of this tour of six months all particularly described in original declaration.

On the next year, being 1778, and in the summer, for the purpose of supplying another call for a draft, made on the militia of said County of Bedford, for six months, said applicant again volunteered as a private for six months, and was mustered into service as a private at Bedford courthouse, in a company commanded by Robert Adams, and served out his said six months. The manner and duties of said service is expressed in my original declaration, but Charles Linch [Charles Lynch] of Bedford County ordered the troops to Chisels mines and went with them there: and employed said applicant to hunt a part of the time for venison for the supply of the troops, which applicant did, being inexperienced woodsman – That these six months services got a written discharge from the said Captain Adams but has lost it, and his discharges cannot now be found. That the said Applicant removed to this County in the fall of 1810, and from the great distance he lives from the place of his services, he cannot prove them by any person living and that he has no documentary evidence to establish the fact of Revolutionary services. His relinquishment is in his original declaration.

And to the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department and put by the Court, the said Jeremiah Robinson answers and says, as follows:

1st. I was born in Bedford County, State of Virginia, in the year 1757,

2nd. I have no record of my age myself, but my sister, living in the state of Kentucky, Boone County, has a record of my age in a Prayer Book which belonged to my father in his lifetime and as registered by my father as I have understood.

4th. From my extreme age, and consequent loss of memory I cannot recollect with certainty in relation to the number of the class of the Militia to which I belonged, but when the 2 several calls were made on the militia of our County, I volunteered, 1st for 6 months and secondly for 6 months and served out each tour.

5th. I was acquainted with Captain James Dickson and Captain Robert Adams, Colonel Charles Linch & Colonel Shelby, and am now acquainted with William Anthony & Thomas Cooper Justices of this Court, William M Newberry Clerk of [water damage and illegible word] & the Circuit Court Micajah Stone Sheriff, John Mathews Senior, Senator to the State Legislator [sic] of this State, Theodore F. Tong¹ member of the House of Representatives, and Caleb Cox Justice

¹ I could not identify any such Congressman as ever having served in the US House. A man by that name did serve

of the peace, to whom reference may be had respecting my character for veracity. Sworn to and
subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid.

Test: S/ W. M. Newberry, Clerk

S/ Jeremiah Robinson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeremiah Robinson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Jeremiah Robinson".

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service
as a private for one-year in the Virginia service.]

in the Missouri state legislature.