

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Jilson Oliver S21405

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South Carolina } On this [blank] day of March 1833—
Pickens District }

Personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pickens now siting Jilson Oliver a resident of State and District aforesaid aged 78 years 13 day of August past who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration to obtain the benifit of the Act of Congress passed 7th June 1832

That he entered the service of the United States he believes in 1774 under the following officers and served as herein stated. he first enlisted at New London, Bedford County [now Campbell County] Virginia under Capt William Leftridge [sic: William Leftwich] for three months was marched to green brier [sic: Greenbrier County now WV] after the Indians at the expiration of the time received a written discharge from the Capt which discharge is Lost. the discharge was given at Craigs Fort in green brier About 12 months after he was drafted for three months under Capt James Adams rendezoused at Mollys Church was marched from that to Petersburg where I received a written discharge from the Captain which discharge is lost. About 12 months after this I volunteered under Capt. Robert Adams (rendevoused at New London) in Waggon Service marched to the Lead Mines [at Fort Chiswell in present Wythe County] where I was discharged by the Captain received a written discharge this Tour was three months my discharge is Lost. Remained some time at home does not recollect how Long. Volunteered under Capt. Robert Adams for three months rendezoused at Holts Store marched from that to Petersburg where I received a written discharge from the Capt which discharge is Lost. after the Lapse of some time was called out under Capt. David Beard for three months rendezoused at the General Muster Ground (Lynches [possibly Col. Charles Lynch's]) marched from there to Little York was at the Siege of Little York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and was there discharged by the Captain 20th October 1781 received a written discharge which I have & is annexed to this declaration all the Service was as a Militia Man Col. Lewis was with us at Greenbrier Col. Lynch was with us at Petersburg Col. Leftridge was with us at Petersburg and Little York, were never under the Regular officers only at Little York. says he was born in Virginia Amherst County 1754 has no record of his age he lived in Bedford County Virginia when called into service. after the close of the War removed to North Carolina Surry county after some years removed to South Carolina where I now live in Pickens District. Capt. David Sloan and John Robison [sic: John Robertson] can vouch for my Character for Varacity and their belief as to my services. That he has no documentary evidence except his discharge and that he knows of no Person whose Testimony he can procure except the affidafits hereunto annexed who can Testify to his services.

here hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the Present and declares his name is not on the Pension Roll or agency of any State.

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[Certified by Joseph Carver.]

This is to Certify that Jailson Oliver of the Bedford Militia is Discharged [fro]m this Tower of Duty given under my hand this 20th day of October 1781 J Beard Capt