

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Gabriel S2571

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State of North Carolina, Carteret County

On this 18th day of September 1832, personally appeared in open court, before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions now sitting James Gabriel a resident of ___ in the County and State aforesaid aged 73 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 he was born in the County of Carteret & State of North Carolina on the 29th of December 1758 & the record of which is not in his possession. He has resided in the said County of Carteret through life.

At Beaufort in said County in the month of August 1776 he volunteered and joined a company called the Independent company commanded by Captain Enoch Ward: Reuben Bental & Benjamin Chaney, Lieutenants, & Dederick Gibble [Dedderich Gibble] Ensign. Served in this company in Carteret County until February 1778 when he was discharged – Six months of the service in the company was as a private & the twelve months, as a Sergeant.

On the 9th day of March 1779 he volunteered under Captain James Sims, Lieutenant Daniel Tuckey & Ensign John Throckmorton. This company a part of the 1st Regiment of North Carolina Volunteers commanded by Colonel Jonas Johnson [Jonas Johnston] & Major Richardson and formed a part of General Butler's [John Butler's] Brigade at the Battle of Stono [June 20, 1779]. General Butler's Brigade which included the company to which he, the said James Gabriel, belonged, consisting of about 1200 men marched into South Carolina and joined General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] at his head quarters with the South Carolina militia, making his force about 6000. General Lincoln then crossed the Savannah River & entered Georgia where he remained about one month, when the British leaving Georgia and going into South Carolina, General Lincoln with his command pursued them & coming up with them at Stono ferry at St. John's Island gave them battle on the 20th of June 1779, Sunday morning. Many brave men fell but the loss of the brave & undaunted Colonel Roberts [Owen Roberts] of the [SC] Artillery was most deplored: -- He was the highest officer lost in this engagement by the Americans. ~~He, the said James Gabriel, also took part in the Siege of Savannah and was employed in cutting down the pickets to admit count Pulaski: saw him enter & saw him brought back mortally wounded.~~ From the commencement to the end of this Second Tour he was five months.

In March 1781 volunteered under the command of Colonel John Easton [sic, John Eaton?] in a company commanded by Captain Dederick Gibble. This Corps was raised to march against the British at Wilmington, North Carolina. He was in this tour one month 15 days of hard duty.

In September 1781, Volunteered with some others to join the Craven County men & stop the British who were marching through the Country from Wilmington. He was on duty 22 days.

Three months of the second & both the two last tours he was a Sergeant.

He received discharges but they were in an old trunk containing loose papers, thought to be of no value, which was sold at his Mother's vendue & taken away by the purchaser.

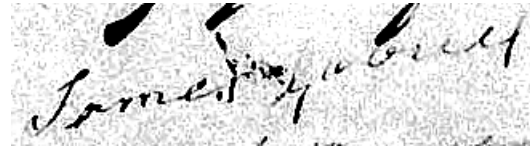
He has no documentary evidence and there is no person known to him by whom the services can be proven except perhaps James Fulford Senior.

He is known to General Thomas Marshall & David Lawrence of Buford aforesaid who can testify to his character for veracity & good behavior & their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ James Gabriel

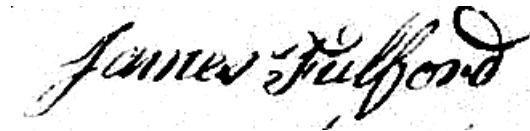
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[Thomas Marshall, Esq. & David Lawrence gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina, Carteret County

On this 18th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, now sitting, James Fulford¹ a resident of the County & State aforesaid who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath depose & say. That he knows James Gabriel was in service in the Independent Company under the command of Captain Enoch Ward during the Revolutionary War & that he served as he believes about eighteen months. Further this deponent saith not. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James Fulford

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James Fulford".

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$107.50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private & Sergeant in the North Carolina service.]

¹ [James Fulford W4352](#)