

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Jesse Powers S30662

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State of Kentucky

Wayne County Sct

On this 24th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Wayne County Court the same being in session and a Court of record Jesse Powers a resident of the County of Wayne and State of Kentucky aged seventy three years last march who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

That he volunteered for the term of three months and entered the service of the united states under the following named officers Thomas Williams Captain Moton [sic: probably Morton] Lieutenant Gidein Spincer [sic: probably Gideon Spencer] Ensign Field officers not recollected I entered the Service in the month of [blank] in the year 1777 or '8 and served faithfully three months received a regular discharge at portsmouth which is lost

that I belonged to the regiment of the Virginia militia at the time I volunteered and entered the service of the united states I was a citizen of the County of Charlotte and State of Virginia and was rendezvoused at Nagroanny[?] Amelia County Virginia and march from thence to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] thence to Hampton Virginia thence to portsmouth at which place was discharged and went home

I was in no Battles

I again entered the service of the united states I substituted for the term of six months in the year 17, I entered the service in the month of [blank] on the [blank] day of [blank] under the following named officers company officers Matthew Goode Captain Langston Bacon Lieutenant [blank] Ensign Field officers David Mason General Line Bernell [possibly Burwell] 1st Col. [blank] 2nd Colonel I belonged at the time I entered the service aforesaid to the 4th regiment of the Virginia Militia and was a citizen of Charlotte County and State of Virginia and was rendezvoused at a place called parsins barn[?] in the state of Virginia and marched from thence to hillsbury [sic: Hillsborough] North Carolina thence to Camden South Carolina thence to the Black Swamp South Carolina and there joined head Quarters General [Benjamin] Lincoln was commander thence home I was discharged at Camden after having served out my tour I have lost or misplaced my discharge. I was engaged in a Battle at Stono during this tour [Battle of Stono Ferry, 20 June 1779]

I again substituted and entered the service of the united states for the term of Eight months as a regular Continental Soldier [sic] in the year 17— the same year of General Gates defeat [defeat of Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] in the month of and on the day of under the following named officers I joined the army at Hillsborough North carolina under the following General Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens of the Virginia Militia] was the commander the other officers not recollected the 1st regiment of the Virginia troops thence near Rugelys Mill [sic: Rugeley's Mill] near Campdin South carolina thence to Mass ferry on Peedee River [sic: Massie's or Mask's Ferry on Pee Dee River] thence Back to Hillsborough thence to new Garden [W of present Greensboro] in Guilford County North Carolina at which place I was discharged which discharge is lost I served my full term and was in no Battle at the time I entered the service this tour I was a citizen of Halifax County State of Virginia I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and I declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the date above mentioned

Jesse Powers

State of Kentucky Sct

Wayne County towit

On this 26th day of August 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the wayne County Court the same being a Court of record and now in session Jesse Powers resident

in the County of Wayne & State of Kentucky being first duly sworn according to Law doth on oath make the following amended declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

that he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his Service and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure by whom he can prove his services

that he was born in the County of Prince William in the State of Virginia in the year 1759

that he has no record of his age

that he is known in his neighbourhood to the following persons (towit Stephen Raines George Bruton Harman Winn Ewing Litrell William Raines and divers others) who can testify as to his character for veracity and as to their belief as to his services

That he did procure the Number required by the regulations of the war department to certify in his original declaration (to which this is an amendment that he did not procure the Certificate of a clergyman because there was none who were acquainted with on that day at court But that he has now procured the certificate of a clergyman which is attached to this amended declaration Signed Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court Given under my hand the day above written

Jesse Powers

NOTE: A Treasury Department document states that the widow of Jesse Powers was given the final pension payment up to the date of his death on 14 July 1840.