Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Akin S31513

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State of Georgia } S.S. Fayette County }

On this seventeenth day of June Eighteen hundred & thirty three personally appeared in open Court before Samuel Swanson William Pace and Finlay G. Stewart Justices of the Inferior Court for said County, now sitting James Akin a resident of the County of Fayette and state of Georgia aged seventy four 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 entered the service of the united states under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. Under the Command of Captain Mosely [sic: Moseley], in Col. [Robert] Goode's Regiment in the year 1778. that he resided in the County of Chesterfield, State of Virginia, and then was enrolled in Captain Mosely's Company, and was marched under the Command of Capt Mosely (whose Christian name he does not now remember) with the entire Company to Petersburg where he served Three months.

That shortly after his return in the same year (he thinks) in the same Company which he is under the impression was now commanded by the former Lieutenant Levi Newby who had been promoted to the Captancy – that he was marched from Chesterfield County Virginia to Petersburg Va. and from Petersburg to Hoods, below Cabin point, on James River [sic: probably Hood's in Prince George County upriver from Cabin Point in Surry County] & there served Three months.

That in the same Company afterwards under the Command of Capt Levi Newby, he was marched across the Appomattox River, to Dunwoodie [sic: Dinwiddie] Court House, and thence to Petersburg and was there discharged having been in the service this tour not less than Six weeks or one month and a half

That in Captain Newby's Company of which Lieutenant Elam at this time had the Command. he was again marched with said Company to Petersburg and thence down the River and below where he had been stationed the previous tour 30 or 40 miles (probably at Suffolk, but he is not certain that was the name of the place) from which place he returned to his fathers having got a furlough to do so six or eight days before the expiration of three months & who then resided in Chesterfield County Va. – that said Company at the expiration of three months which was the time of their service, started to their homes in Chesterfield but within a few miles of home, at Ludburgs, were all except three killed and taken prisoners by Col. Tarlton [sic: Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton, 23 May 1781], and nearly all the prisoners died with the small pox

That in the month of July, he believes in the year 178[?] in the County of Chesterfield state of Virginia, under the Command of Captain Patterson in Col. [St. George] Tucker's Regiment of the Virginia Militia he was classed, and ordered into service, and was marched by way of Petersburg to Little York, and was at the taking of Lord Cornwallis and his army who surrendered on the 19th day of October of the same year 1781 or '82 [1781], and owing to the siege he is of opinion that he was detained several days after his tour of of three months had expired before he was discharged – he served not less that Three months this tour.

That he was born in Cumberland County Virginia in the year 1759 – that he has no record of his age but is certain it from the information his parents gave him – that after the Revolutionary war he settled in Granville County North Carolina, and since the state of Georgia – that he now lives in Fayette County Georgia – that he has no documentary evidence – that he knows of no person he can procure who can testify to his service. The Rev'd Thos H. Cliatt & Marbry Sparks will testify to my character.

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 & year aforesaid

James hisXmark Akin