

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Fincher S31678

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Georgia Jasper County

Personally appeared before me Mary McClendon who being duly sworn deposeth & saith, that during the Revolutionary War, she recollects that her Brother James Fincher entered the Military Service of the United States & that it was said by the Family on his return he had been absent six months -- this deponent was at the time young not exceeding 8 or 10 years of age & recollects nothing more

Sworn to & subscribed before me 21st of January 1833

S/ Jesse Loyall, JP

S/ Mary McClendon, X her mark

Jasper Inferior Court January Term 1833

George or Jasper County

On this Twenty second day of January 1833 Personally appeared in open Court before Reuben C. Shorter, ~~John C. Gibson~~, James Whitfield, & Edward Price Justices of the Inferior Court of said County now sitting it being a Court of Record, -- James Fincher a resident of said County and State aged Seventy five or six 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 7th, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the command of Captain Benjamin Few afterwards Colonel & his Brother Ignatius Few who was at that time a Lieutenant -- the precise time this deponent cannot now recollect but he continued in service six months or upwards -- that at the time he went into the Army he resided in the State of North Carolina & County of Randolph that he was drafted & marched from North Carolina into Georgia -- was a part of his time at Fort Barrington in said State & was eventually discharged at Savannah -- after the Revolution this deponent resided in North Carolina, a part of his time in Randolph & Mecklenburg counties & then moved to Georgia about 16 years since, where he has resided ever since -- this deponent being old & infirm must refer to the affidavit of Mary McClendon for further proof of his Services, as well as to the Certificates of the Reverend Cyrus White a clergyman & Jeremiah Pearson of his respectability for character & their belief of his having served as a Soldier of the Revolution & that he is of the age represented in his declaration -- this deponent has no documentary evidence of his services & that he knows of no person in Georgia by whom he can better substantiate his services --

This deponent hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ James Fincher

A black and white photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which reads "James Fincher". The signature is written on a light-colored, textured surface, possibly paper or parchment.

S/ Reuben C. Shorter, JIC

S/ James Whitfield, JIC

S/ Edward Price, JIC

[Cyrus White, a clergyman, and Jeremiah Pearson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]