

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of James Sullivan S35091

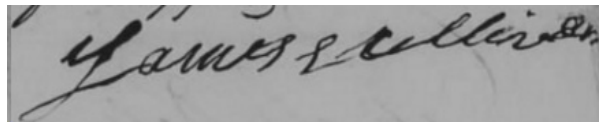
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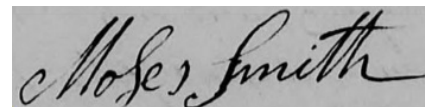
State of Maryland

City of Baltimore Sct.

On this twenty ninth day of April in the year of our lord One thousand Eight hundred and Eighteen personally appeared before me the undersigned, James Sullivan of the City of Baltimore aged about fifty nine years, an applicant for a pension, under the act of congress entitled, "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United states in the revolutionary war," and then and there made the following declaration on oath by me administered, "that he was enlisted at Leonard Town [Leonardtown] in the state of Maryland, about the month of February 1778 by Lieutenant Majors of Captain Armstrongs [George Armstrong's] Company 3<sup>d</sup> Maryland Regiment then commanded by Col Morduca Gist [sic: Mordecai Gist] in general Smallwoods [William Smallwood's] brigade – joined the main army at Valley forge, a few weeks previous to the evacuation of phila'a. by the Brittish [18 Jun 1778] – from thence marched to the battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], from thence to the white plains [NY], and lay there during the summer, in the fall marched to Fishkill, and from thence to Winter Quarters at Middle brook [Middlebrook NJ]. On the opening of the Campaign in the Spring, ordered to "buttermilk falls" below west point on the north river, there occupied in building Fort No. 4 during the summer – after various movements, went into Winter Quarters, near Morristown at a place called the "Heights," to the best of deponants recollection, when the Maryland Troops marched to the southward, in the Spring, deponant was left on the sick list, in the Hospital at Morristown, where he continued until he was ordered to join Capt Dunscombs [Edward Dunscomb's] Company of the 2<sup>d</sup> New york Regiment, which Company was soon after Commanded by Captain [Theodosius] Fowler, with whom he marched in same Regiment under Command of Colonel Courtland [probably Philip Van Cortlandt] to the seige of York in Virginia [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] – after the Capture of Cornwallis, went as a guard of prisoners to Fredericksburg, then went into winter quarters near penniptons plains, in the ensuing winter encamped at "Snake Hills" where he rejoined his former regiment or Maryland detachment, as it was called, in Captain Muses [Walker Muse's] Company, and in the Spring marched to Baltimore, and there received from said Capt. Muse a provisional Discharge, and was never again Called into service; which discharge he has long since lost or destroyed – has no knowledge of any Officer or private now living in the City or County of Baltimore who served with him – that his name hath never been plased on any pension list, therefor hath none to relinquish & that from his reduced Circumstances he needs the assistance of his Country for support.



On this said twenty ninth day of April 1818 the said James Sullivan produced before me a certain Moses Smith [pension application S35077] aged about 58 years who being by me duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was a soldier in the U.S. Regular army during the revolutionary war, that James Sullivan now present was transferd from a regiment in the Maryland line to the regiment in which said deponent was then attached commanded by Col. Courtland and has good reason to believe every part of said Sullivans declaration is true as setforth



United States of America

Maryland District, Ss:

ON this Eleventh day of July 1820, personally appeared in open court, in the District Court in and for the District of Maryland James Sullivan aged Sixty one years, resident in the City of Baltimore in said District who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows: That he enlisted into the service of the United States at Leonard Town in the State of Maryland about the month of February 1778 under Lt Majors, mustered in Capt Armstrongs Company in the 3<sup>d</sup> Maryland Reg't then Commanded by Col. Mordicai Gist – was occasionally in different companies and Regts. but finally discharged from Capt Muses Comp'y at Baltimore in the spring of 1783 to best of his recollection.

That he hath been placed on the Revolutionary pension Roll of the Maryland Agency at the rate of \$8 per month commencing from 29<sup>th</sup> April 1818, as will appear by his pension certificate No 6765 and bearing date the 10<sup>th</sup> February 1819.

and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule referred to within, viz:

Three pine tables of my own make. . . . .	\$3.00
Five common chairs. . . . .	2.50
some water tubs & buckets. . . . .	2.00
common andirons, shovel & tongs, pot & kettle. . . . .	4.00
Plates and other Crockery \$2 knives forks &c &c \$2. . . . .	4.00
some old rough Carpenters tools. . . . .	<u>5.00</u>
	\$20.50

That he is by trade a rough jobing Carpenter but in consequence of emaciated constitution not able to earn his bread thereby, even were work to be had.

That he has a wife named Jane aged about 37 yrs. Three Children aged 6 years 4 years & 2 years. That were it not for the pension he draws from the Government he would not be able to support himself without the assistance of private or public charity.

James Sullivan

NOTE: A note in the file states that Sullivan died on 8 July 1822.