

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Jesse Thompson S35097

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District of Maryland Saint Marys County to wit

On this 12th day of May 1818 before me the Subscriber one of the associate Judge of the first judicial District of Maryland Composed of the counties of Saint Marys, Charles and Prince Georges personally appeared Jesse Thompson aged about 62 years resident in Saint Marys County in the said District, who being by me first duly sworn doth, on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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." That he the said Jesse Thompson enlisted in the state of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain John Allen Thomas in February 1776 attached to the regiment of Maryland commanded by Colonel William Smallwood during the war and in the year 1777 was transfered to the artillery company under the command of Captain Fulford. That he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States during the war, when he was discharged from said service at Annapolis in Maryland in or about october 1783. That he was in the battles of White Plains [28 Oct 1776], Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Trenton [26 Dec 1776], Camden [Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780], the Siege [sic] of Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill, 25 Apr 1781] and 96 [Siege of Ninety-Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] - Guilford [Battle of Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] and Eutaw [Battle of Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support. And that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Auditor's Office, Annapolis, May 14th 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the muster rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that Jesse Thompson enlisted as a Private in the Third Regiment, on the First day of Ap'l 80 and was on the 1st Nov. 80 Present

Thos. Karney Aud. S. M.

Only 7 mos: the rolls go no further.

State of Maryland first Judicial District Sct

On this fifteenth day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record, having unlimited original jurisdiction and the power to fine and commit for the said first Judicial District of Maryland Jesse Thompson aged sixty four years resident in Saint Marys County in said Judicial District who being first duly sworn, according to Law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows that in February 1776 he enlisted as a private in the company Commanded by Captain John A Thomas attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Smallwood, and that on the twelfth of May 1818 he made his first application for a pension, and that the number of his certificate is 11325. That he enlisted to serve during the war, and in 1777 he was transferred from Smallwood's Regiment to the artillery, and was regularly discharged at the close of the war at Annapolis in the state of Maryland; I was in the following battles, Long Island [27 Aug 1776], White Plains, Camden, Guilford Court House, and Eutaw Springs, and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 18th 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, Except that I receive from the State of Maryland an annual sum of Sixty dollars.

A Schedule of my property my necessary bedding and cloathing Excepted viz't.

one hundred and fifty acres of Land; one negro Boy 6 years old, one cart, Eleven head of

cattle, two mares & one colt, two sows and pigs, three shoats, one plough & Gear, five hoes, one axe, seven head of sheep, one old Desk, Eight chairs, two tables, five knives and forks, one set of tin ware, three Iron pots, two wooden tubs, four cedar hogsheads, three barrels.

has no debts due to him

Debts due from me Jesse Thompson

Philip Turner \$110.00

Charles C Egerton 30.00

James Keech 70.00

William Harris 25.00

Charles Wood 15.00

Small accounts together 10.00

Sworn to and declared on this 15th day of August 1820

That his occupation was that of a brick layer, that he is now old and very infirm totally unable to pursue any occupation. a wife about 60 years old . That he has five children a male and four [illegible word] the Eldest about 35 years the youngest about 22 years they work for their family

[Thompson's pension was apparently suspended because of the property declared here.]

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act entitled An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th of May 1828 I Jesse Thompson of St Marys County in the state of Maryland do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the war and continued in its service untill its termination at the time of enlistment I was a private in Capt'n John Allen Thomas's Company I was transferred to Capt'n. Wm. Campbell's Company of the Maryland Artillery and at the close of the war was in Capt'n. Smiths Company of Artillery and was sergeant in the said Company in the said Maryland Artillery And I also declare that I afterwards received certificates for the reward of Eighty dollars to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th of May 1778 And I further declare that I was not on the fifteenth day of May 1828 on the pension list of the United States Witness my hand this 23rd of June 1828

Jesse Thompson

Maryland St Marys County towit

On the 23rd day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty eight personally appeared Charles Williams before the subscriber a Justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid and makes Oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that he was a soldier in the War of the Revolution & now receives a pension [application S35322] from the United States for the same & that he served in the Army with Jesse Thompson and the said Thompson was regularly discharged in 1783 from the said Army.