

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Sacrey<sup>1</sup> S35643

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State of Kentucky County of Shelby: SS

On this 17th day of August 1830 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County of Shelby State of Kentucky James Sacrey resident in the said County aged Seventy-five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision may by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 & the 1st May 1820 that he the said James Sacrey enlisted for the term of two years \_\_\_ on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_ in the State of Virginia *[there are several pages missing from the digital images contained in Fold3's file. The following text taken from these pages is take from the HeritageQuest version of this file and are shown in italics]* in the Company commanded by Captain Samuel Haws [Samuel Hawes] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Woodford in the line of the State of Virginia second Virginia Regiment Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the expiration of said term of two years when he was discharged from the service in \_\_\_ in the State of Virginia that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any State except Kentucky and that the following all the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension. That since the 18th of March 1818 he has lost three Negroes by death and three or four horses which has reduced his estate to what is here enlisted in his schedule

*And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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*

*About 200 acres of poor land that I gave 50 cents per acre for one Sindle [?] Mare about eight years old and also one horse about 17 or 18 years old both of them would be probably worth \$70 eight head of cattle 22 sheep & seven lambs upwards of 20 head of hogs big & little and some little common furniture.*

*The members of my Family are as follows viz. my son Robert T. Sacrey about 40 years old but he is unable to labor in consequence of infirmity that has attended him for some years or*

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<sup>1</sup> See N. A. Acc. No. 874 No. 050 156 Not Half Pay James Sacrey

*however he can labor but very little, my son John C Sacrey upwards of 30 years he stays at my house but as you see he is his own man and of course works when & where he pleases, Eliza Potter a child 13 or 14 years old that I have raised this in my house. There is at my house an old Negro woman and five children that is three girls and two boys but these Negroes belonged to my first wife's children two of home are married and gone from a & the other two are named above.*

My occupation is that of a farmer but I am unable from my age and infirmity to do any kind of labor. I was born in the year 1755. That since the 18th of March 1818 the following changes have been made in my property

Three Negroes of an ordinary value have departed this life which were in my possession on the 18th day of March 1818. The five Negroes above mentioned are all of them the children of the Negro woman given by my wife according to the deed hereto annexed marked A

S/ James Sacrey, X his mark

[said deed marked A reads in relevant part as follows – "Know all men by these presents that I, John Collins of the County of Caroline for the natural love and affection that I have and do bear to my four daughters viz. – Nancy Sacra [sic], Elizabeth Wright, Frances Henderson and Lucy Wilson and more especially for and in consideration of the sum of ten pounds to me in hand paid by each of the said doors, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have granted bargained and sold on to Nancy Sacra one Negro girl named Millie, to Elizabeth Wright one Negro girl named Rachel, to Frances Henderson one Negro boy named Garbriel [probably Gabriel] and to Lucy Wilson one Negro boy named Charles and do hereby warrant the said Negroes to my said doors, their heirs ....."

Dated 13 day of September 1787

Signed by S/ John Collins.]

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Be it Remembered that heretofore to wit

At a County Court begun and held for Shelby County at the Courthouse in the Town of Shelbyville on Monday the 18th day of October 1830 before Samuel W White, George P Miller, & Samuel Waddy Esquires Justices of the said Court James Sacrey came into the Shelby County Court being a Court of record at this time and by way of amending and further explaining the preceding had in this Court had on Tuesday the 17th day of August last of which proceedings a transcript has been made and sent to the War Department to entitle him to Compensation as a private in the War of the revolution as herein set forth doth now further depose and say that he Entered the Army of the United States in the revolutionary War in the year 1776 or 1777. He enlisted in Captain Samuel Haws Company as in his former application stated for the period of two years that he served out his time in the Army and at the expiration of his time he was regularly discharged at the Yellow Springs in Pennsylvania that he lost his discharge many years ago. He further states that he has no interest in the slaves mentioned in the deed referred to marked A and made part of his former declaration and that the rightful owner of said Slaves have received them. Henry B Harrison & James S Whitaker two respectable Citizens of this County and of lawful age came into court and were duly sworn and examined touching the Circumstances and condition of the said James Sacrey and the value of the property which now is all has been in the possession of him said James Sacrey Whereupon it is ordered to be entered of record that this Court is of Opinion that the said James Sacrey has no right title or interest in or to the Slaves before referred to but they are right [indecipherable word] and now the property

of his first Wife's Children and that the whole of his said Samuel Sacrey's property including his land is not worth no more than the sum of \$250 and further it appears from the Evidence in the Court that said James Sacrey was a Soldier of the revolutionary War and is now about 76 years of age all of which is ordered to be entered of record.

[Attested by James Whittaker, Clerk]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing December 7th, 1830 four service as a private for two years in the Virginia Continental line.]