

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Yeager (Yager) W35751

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Commonwealth of Kentucky Fourth Judicial Circuit Shelby County Sct.

On this first day of July 1819 before me the Subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts in said Commonwealth personally appeared Samuel Yager aged sixty-seven years resident in the County of Shelby, in the said Circuit & State, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, 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 Samuel Yager enlisted in the Continental line in the State of Virginia, at Culpepper [Culpeper] Court House, in the Company commanded by Captain John Jameson of the Regiment of Light Horse commanded by Colonel Bland [Theodorick Bland], he enlisted in the summer of 1776 – that he continued to serve in the said Corps, and in the service of the United States until the fall of the year 1778, when he was discharged from service at Winchester in the State of Virginia by Colonel Temple then the commandant. – That he was in the Battles of Brandywine – Germantown – and Monmouth besides several skirmishes – that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support & that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services but here offered – having long since lost his discharge.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid –

Elisha Yager¹ also appeared before me, who being first sworn states that Samuel Yager and himself are related that he well knows of Samuel Yager entering the service as stated by him in his declaration, and that his statements are true as made by him. Sworn to as above

S/ Saml. McKee

Commonwealth of Kentucky Shelby County Sct.

Shelby Circuit Court June Term 1820

On this 30th day of June 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of record of Common Law and Criminal Jurisdiction for the County and Circuit aforesaid Samuel Yeager aged about sixty-eight years resident in said County and State 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 in the service in the year 1776 in the company commanded by Captain John Jameson and the Regiment commanded by Colonel Bland of the Virginia line and continued in said Corps until the fall of 1778 when he was discharged &c &c. He further states that he made application by his declaration dated the 1st day of July 1819 for a Pension and received his pension Certificate dated the 20th of April 1820 No. 16,741. He further states that he is old and

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infirm and unable to do hard labor, he has no wife or family he follows the Occupation of farming and can do but little at it owing to his affliction with rheumatic pains &c &c. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 18th 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. –

The following is a Schedule of his property to wit one cow & calf worth about \$20. He has no other property.

S/ Samuel Yeager

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel Yeager". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. Below the signature, there is a large, horizontal, looping flourish that extends across the width of the signature.

Sworn to and declared on the 20th day of June 1820 in Open Court.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 1, 1819 for 18 months service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]