

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James McCowan S36101

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State of Kentucky Logan County Sct}

This day came James McCowan before me Benjamin Shackelford Judge of the Circuit Court for the 7th Judicial Circuit of the State aforesaid and made oath that he was born in the United States and that he hath continued a citizen of the United States ever since his birth – That sometime in the year 1776 he enlisted as a private Soldier in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary war against the Common Enemy for the term of three years under Captain Nathan Reed [Nathan Reid or Read] in the 14th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment Commanded by __ Colo. Lewis [Charles Lewis] at one time and afterwards by Colo. Davis [William Davies] and that he served as a private Soldier as aforesaid during the full term of three years when he was regularly Discharged.

But believing after the end of the War that his discharge would be of no further service to him he has negligently lost or mislaid his said discharge so that he cannot find it, and that from his reduced Circumstances he needs the assistance of his Country for support. Sworn & subscribed to before me this 21st day of July 1818.

I James McCowan do hereby release to the United States all former pensions heretofore allowed me.

S/ James McCowan, X his mark

[James Jones of Russellville Kentucky gave a supporting affidavit stating that he knew of his own personal knowledge that the claimant served at least 9 months in the Revolutionary war. His affidavit is dated August 5th, 1818.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 21, 1818 for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]