

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Whitacar [Whitaker?¹] S36844

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The State of Indiana Ripley County: Sct.

On this 21st day of July 1818 before me Subscriber one of the Judges of the Ripley Circuit Court of the State aforesaid personally appears John Whitacar aged 64 years resident in Ripley County in the State aforesaid who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, that he the said John Whittecar enlisted in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Boyears [Thomas Bowyer or Thomas Boyer] of the 8th Regiment of the Virginia line of the Continental Army in the year seventy eight that he continued in the said service of the United States until the year eighty one when he was discharged from the service in Williamsburg in Virginia and was in the Siege of Charlestown [Charlestown] and there taken prisoner and remained a prisoner fourteen months before exchanged. That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other means now in his power of his said Support. The foregoing sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Richey, A J R C

Schedule

District of Indiana Sct

Ripley County: Ripley circuit Court

On this 6th day of February 1822 personally appeared in open court the Ripley Circuit Court, it being a Court of record John Whitacar aged 65 years resident in the said County of Ripley and State of Indiana who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath solemn oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows to wit in the __Regiment of Infantry in the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Guess [Nathaniel Gist?] in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Boyer that he enlisted about the year 1777 and served until the year 1781 when he was honorably discharged he was taken prisoner at Charlestown in South Carolina that the date of his original certificate is the 7th day of December 1818 and numbered 4786, 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

¹ This veteran's name is spelled variously throughout his file including the following forms: Whitacre, Whitticar in addition to the spellings set forth in this transcription.

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 to wit:

1 mare worth \$40 – 2 cows worth \$20 – 1 Bake oven worth \$2.50, 2 pots worth \$3 – and one table worth one dollar – and several small articles of Tea ware & plates worth \$3 – his occupation is that of a farmer but owing to his age, infirmities and having had the misfortune to have one of his shoulders put out of place he is unable to work his family consist of one son 18 years of age one daughter 12 years of age and his wife aged 60 years

S/ John Whitacer, X his mark

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