

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Priest (Priests) S3739

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State of Ohio Licking County: SS

On the 13th day of March 1833 Personally appeared before me Samuel Bancroft one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Licking and State of Ohio John Priest a resident of fallsbury [Fallsbury] Township in the County and State aforesaid. Aged 82 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated – viz. (Colonel name not recollected) Major Williams, adjutant William Broadis, Captain Henry Manoe Lieutenant James Parvis [James Purvis?] entered the service in the month of April 1778 according to the best of his recollection – and served six months and left the service in the month of October the same year resided when he entered the service within about two miles of Washington Culpeper County Virginia – was drafted for six months – the company to which he belonged met at Culpepper Court House and then marched to Brandywine Mills where by General Washington's Orders they were stationed to guard the Mills and continued there until Discharged. –

He also states that he has no Documentary Evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his Services – he states he was born in Prince William County Virginia in the year 1750 he has now no record of his age – he has lived since the revolutionary war and Culpeper County Virginia until about twenty-two years ago when he moved to the State of Ohio where he now lives does not recollect that he ever received a written Discharge –

He also states that he is known in his present neighborhood to Abraham Day and Isaac Norman who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State.

S/ John Priest, X his mark

[Homewood Marriott and Abraham Day gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]