

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Vance S37496

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District of Kentucky

On this 1st day of August 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Circuit Judges of the District aforesaid personally appeared Joseph Vance aged 63 years resident in Scott County in the said District 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 Joseph Vance enlisted in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia for two years in the company commanded by Captain Michael Bowyer or Boyer in the 12th Virginia Regiment in General Charles Scott's Brigade. That he served in said Corps until the end of his time and two months more when he was discharged at Robertson's Plains on North River at Fort Arnold – That he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778], Iron-Hill [this MAY be a reference to an engagement on December 22 or 23, 1776 known as the Battle of Iron Works Hill or the Battle of Mount Holly] and Grays-Hill [?]. That he is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his services.

Sworn to and declared before me this day and year aforesaid

S/ Benjamin Johnson, Circuit Judge

Schedule

District of Kentucky SS

On this ninth day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the County of Scott and State of Kentucky Joseph Vance aged sixty-five years resident in the County and District aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows; in the company commanded by Captain Michael Boyer in the 12th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Wood in the Virginia line agreeably to an Original Declaration dated first of August 1818 and pension certificate No. 2.


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 viz.

| | | |
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| 45 Acres of land worth | \$135.00 | |
| 2 Horses worth | | 75.00 |
| 8 Head of cattle worth | 48.00 | |
| 9 Head of hogs worth | 12.00 | |
| 23 Head of sheep worth | 28.75 | |
| one debt due me amounting to | <u>40.00</u> | |
| | \$338.75 | |

That he is by occupation a farmer, but very unable to pursue it and that he has with himself for in family, namely his wife aged seventy years, Peter Burns aged fifteen years and Sally Burns aged eight years, the son and daughter of Geo Burns neither of them able to support themselves.

S/ Joseph Vance



[f p 12: On March 15, 1824 in Scott County Kentucky, the veteran applied to be reinstated on the pension list stating that he had been struck therefrom on account of property. In this application he states that he enlisted for the term of 2 years on August 9th 1776 and that he continued in service until October 1778. The schedule he attaches to this application includes the 45 acres of land but he describes it as 3rd rate hilly land on Eagle Creek which he values at \$57.75 subject to a debt on it he owes \$45, only one horse, one cow 5 head of "poor sheep" and 6 hogs for a total value of \$46.75. In this application he gives his occupation as a farmer but says that he has suffered from the Gravel for 2 years and has no family living with him. As required by the statute, he also list the changes in his property since his original schedule was filed.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per annum commencing August 1, 1818 for two years service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]