

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James White S37536

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County of Campbell [State of Kentucky] SS

On this 22nd day of February 1830, personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the County of Campbell State of Kentucky James White aged seventy-five years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818, and the first of May 1820 that he the said James White enlisted for the term of three years in the month of February 1777 to the best of his recollection in the State of Virginia King George County enlisted by Robt Lovel [Robert Lovell] but he dying before he reached the main Army said James White was transferred to Captain John Hudson's Company in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Brent in the line of the State of Virginia in the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps until sometime in the year 1780 to the best of his recollection when he was discharged from the service in Fredericksburg in the State of Virginia soon after which he enlisted again in King George County State of Virginia for the term of eighteen months he has forgotten the name of the Captain but the Colonel's name was Christian Feagifer [Christian Febiger] and during the Siege of Old York in Virginia he was under General Wayne after serving out said eighteen months he was discharged at Cumberland old Court House in the State of Virginia, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, except the present that his name is not on the roll of any state except as before stated and that the following all the reasons for not making an earlier application for a pension viz. He was told he could not get a pension except he would swear he could not support himself and believing in any case he would not parish therefore he would not take the oath being wrongly informed, And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 I have no property of any description except one mare my occupation is farming and am but feebly able to attend to that that I do not keep house but live with my son John White who does not own any land and that the following changes have been made in my property since the 18th of March 1818

Sixty acres of land sold to Richard Southgate 1823 August 6, I was indebted to him \$120 the balance which was \$120 he [written over, could be "I"] took in store goods.

Sworn to & declared in open court February 22nd, 1829

Att: S/ James Taylor, Clk

S/ James White of Ross[?], X his mark

Campbell County Kentucky: James White of Ripple Creek

Personally appeared before me H. E. Spilman a justice of the peace in and for Campbell County Commonwealth of Kentucky Rebecca Spilman of lawful age and after being duly qualified according to law depose and saith that sometime about the year 1776 or '77 in King George County State of Virginia my brother William Spilman joined the Continental Army and it was said that the above named James White also enlisted about the same time and I have heard my brother often say that the above named James White was a messmate of his: and although I had not much personal acquaintance with him at that time although living in said King George County and in the same neighborhood, yet from what I have heard my brother say (who is now dead) and from common neighborhood talk and my own recollections and from frequent conversations with said White having been acquainted with him in this County for 30 years or upwards I do not hesitate to say that I fully believe said White enlisted and served as he has declared in the above declaration hereto attached [several indecipherable words interlined] and further this deponent sayeth not.

S/ Rebecca Spilman, X her mark

[Facts in file: the veteran was living with his son John White on Ripple Creek, in Campbell County, Kentucky when he filed for his pension; the soldier died January 27, 1833 leaving children, 2 of whom were then living in the State of Illinois, the other children living in Kentucky and Tennessee; the name of the soldier's wife is not given nor are any of his children named other than his son John White named in the application.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 10th, 1830, for 3 years service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]