

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Vaughan S38450

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State of Virginia County of Dinwiddie: SS

On this eighth day of April 1819 before me, the subscriber one of the Judges of the General Court of Virginia, and Judge for the said Circuit, personally appeared Jesse Vaughan aged 63 years resident in Dinwiddie, 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 provisions 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 Jesse Vaughan enlisted for the term of two years on the __day of December in the year 1775 in Dinwiddie County in the State of Virginia, in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Ruffin of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Mordecai Buckner in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States, until __day of December 1777, when he was discharged from the service at the Valley Forge State of Pennsylvania, that he was in the battles of Trenton [First battle of Trenton December 26, 1776, 2nd battle of Trenton January 2, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777], Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Princeton [January 3, 1777] and Mud Island [perhaps a reference to what is known as the battle of Red Bank October 22, 1777, also the site of Fort Mifflin which was bombarded during October and November 1777] and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has no other evidence except what is here underwritten, now in his power of his services.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid

S/ Peter Randolph

Baker Pegram a witness, first duly sworn before me, deposeth and saith that he knew the Declarant Jesse Vaughan in the Revolutionary war, and that he did serve two years therein as he has stated.

State of Virginia in Dinwiddie County Sct.

On this 15th day of January 1821 – personally appeared in Open Court (being a Court of record, created such by an act of Virginia Assembly) Jesse Vaughan, aged sixty-four years, resident in the said County, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows; That he the said Jesse Vaughan enlisted for the term of two years, on the __day of December in the year 1775, in the State of Virginia, in the Company commanded by Captain Thomas Ruffin, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Buckner, in the line of the State of Virginia, on the sixth Continental establishment;

that he continued to serve in the said Corps, until December, in the year 1777, when he was discharged from the said service, at the Valley Ford [Valley Forge], in the State of Pennsylvania, by General Weeden [George Weedon]; That he has received \$177.03 up to the 4th of March last, under a Pension certificate, which is dated the 26 day of November 1819, & by C. Vandeventer, acting Secretary of War, but which Certificate is without a number: and that the date of his original declaration is the 30th day of April in the year 1818 – 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 – to wit

One horse 18 years of age worth nothing	
one saddle value	\$10
3 cows	\$30
2 yearlings	\$8
2 calves (young)	\$4
one loom & gear	\$12
2 pine chest	\$3
one pine table	\$1.00
5 dishes	.50
7 Plates	.50
3 knives & 4 forks	.12
2 flat irons	.75
one spinning wheel & pair cards	\$2
one broken pot & broken oven worth	–
½ Dozen cups & saucers	.25
2 plow hoes	\$1.00
2 weeding hoes	.75
3 Butter pots – one broken	.75
3 earthen bowls (very small)	.12 ½
a parcel of fowls (worth about)	\$5
one horse cart (old)	<u>\$6</u>
	\$85.74 ½

S/ Jesse Vaughan, X his mark

I further solemnly swear, that I am by occupation a Carpenter, and that from the necessary infirmities attendant on old age, I am unable to pursue the profession; that I have in family, a wife, Sarah Vaughan, aged fifty-three years, a daughter Patience Vaughan, aged eighteen years, and no other person of ability to contribute to the support of my family.

S/ Jesse Vaughan, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 30, 1818, for two-year service as a Sergeant in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to Jesse Vaughan S38450

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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The affidavit of Jesse Vaughan being first duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelist saith. That he now receives annually the sum of ninety six dollars as a pension from Government for his services in the revolutionary; that he enlisted and served two years; that the officers under whom he served were Thomas Ruffin Capt. Hale Avery [William Haley Avery VAS2322], Colin Cocke [BLWt451-300]. William Murry [William Murray?]; that he was discharged at Valley Forge, by Nathaniel Fox [S39535] under the command of Genl Wheaton [sic: George Weedon BLWt2418-850] that he afterwards enlisted for one year under [Gen. Kazimierz] Pulaski; that he served in the militia of Virginia for six months, for which time of militia service he has never received any pay. That he has never received any bounty land at all from the Government

Jesse hisXmark Vaughan

The above was subscribed & sworn to before me Rich'd W Feilee a justice of the peace for the county of Brunswick and state of Virginia this 19th day of July 1844 Rich'd W. Feilee JP

No Evidence of 2 years service/ Rejected Aug 28th 1844/ R. T. Daniel L. Gov.