

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Orr S38976

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State of Kentucky, Caldwell County Court. In the record of proceedings of the Caldwell County Court among others are the following – Be it remembered that at a County Court begun & held for Caldwell County at the Courthouse in the town of Princeton on Monday the 25th of May 1818 the following proceedings were had to wit

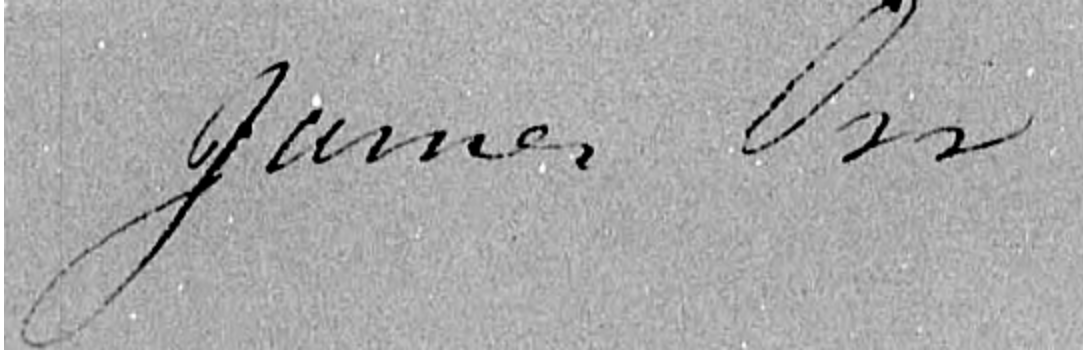
James Orr an Indigent Revolutionary Soldier personally appeared in order to be heard respecting his claim to the benefit of the law of March 18th, 1818, Entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Revolutionary War and being duly sworn Testifies & says that sometime in 1776 he Enlisted in Mecklenburg County North Carolina as Continental Soldier to proceed to White Plains in order to Join the 4th Regiment of North Carolina Continental troops for nine months, that he was made a Sergeant and marched for his destination with the detachment, that at Moon's Creek in North Carolina the order for marching to the North was countermanded and the detachment ordered to the Southward, that at black swamp in South Carolina he joined the Continental Regiment commanded by Colonel Armstrong & continued in that service nine months in that Regiment, after which he took a Continental soldier's place in another Regiment and continued in the Army until the war was over, that he received his discharge from General Lincoln in Charleston which he has lost. He further swears that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his Country for support.

Caldwell County Sct. As Clerk of the County Court of said County I certify that the foregoing is a true transcript from the record in my office. In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County the fifth day of June 1818.

S/ John H. Phelps

Eight Schedule of James Orr a private a pensioner under the law of Congress of the 18th of March 1810 [sic, 1818] late a Private in the Army of the Revolution and as appears by the Certificate of John C Calhoun Secretary of War is inscribed on the Pension list Roll of the Kentucky Agency at the rate of eight dollars per month to commence the 25th of May 1818 maketh oath that he has removed from the State of Kentucky to the State of Tennessee and County of Bedford. He further states upon oath that he has no this state either real or personal.

S/ James Orr

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which reads "James Orr". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, textured background. The word "James" is written in a large, flowing cursive, and "Orr" is written in a smaller, more compact cursive to the right. A small number "1" is visible in the bottom right corner of the image area.

[fn p. 8: the veteran gave a substantially identical statement dated April 1822 in Williamson County Tennessee again saying that he had no property either real or personal.]

[fn p. 10: the veteran again gave a statement on October seven, 1822, this time in Hardin County Tennessee in which he states he 72 years old, a resident of Hardin County Tennessee and has no property. This statement is clearly signed by his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing May 25, 1818, for 19 months service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]

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<sup>1</sup> This signature appears to me to be in the same handwriting as the petition itself and consequently may have been made by the scribe and not by the veteran.