

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Thomas S39106

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Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee

Second Judicial Circuit

Knox County

Be it remembered that on this first day of May in the year 1818 personally appeared before me Edward Scott Judge of the Circuit Courts of Law and Equity for said State and Circuit Jacob Thomas a Citizen of Knox County and State aforesaid aged sixty-two years 22nd December last and being by me first duly sworn according to law Deposeth as follows That is that in the City of Richmond Virginia on the eighth day of July 1777 with Lieutenant William Barrett he enlisted in the Continental Army of the United States for three years in the 3rd Virginia Regiment of Cavalry then commanded by Colonel Baylor and afterwards commanded by Colonel Washington. That this deponent was in the Company of Captain John Stith. That from the time of his enlistment he faithfully served the United States against the common enemy in said Poor until the six day of May 1780 when at Linnew's Ferry South Carolina [Leneud's Ferry South Carolina] he was by Tarlton's [Banastre Tarleton's] Corps taken Prisoner and put on board a Prison Ship near Charleston and kept a while and then he was kept a while in Charleston and on the 23rd June of said year he made his escape from the British and went to Halifax North Carolina where the Cavalry he had belonged to were but his time being out he obtained from said William Barrett an honorable discharge from the Service he believes Barrett was then a Captain. That he never has been a Pensioner of the United States nor applied to be one and hereby relinquishes to United States all claim to a Pension except under the Act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 And further swears his discharge is lost and that he has no documents or means that he knows of to establish the foregoing facts but by his own oath or of any of them. That he is in low circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country.

Subscribed & sworn to the date above

S/ Edw. Scott, Judge

S/ Jacob Thomas



Schedule

State of Tennessee Knox County: SS: July Sessions 1820

On this fifth day of July 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, (having the power of fine and imprisonment and also having been made a court of record by the laws of said state,"(for the said County, Jacob Thomas aged 64 years, resident in the County of

Knox aforesaid and town of Knoxville who, being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: that he served three years in the Revolutionary war, in the company commanded by Captain John Scott of the third Virginia Regiment of Cavalry commanded by Colonel Baylor and then by Colonel Washington that his original Declaration is dated the first day of May 1818 and that his pension Certificate is No. 5282

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

2 head of hogs	\$1.00
1 Pot 1 Kittle & 2 spider	2.00
5 Chairs	2.00
½ Doz. Tin cups & saucers	.50
four spoons & one half Doz. Knives & forks	<u>1.00</u>
	\$7.50

That he is a Baker of Bread which he now follows for a living – has a wife aged sixty-seven years and no other and family – and are both old and infirm and not able to labor for a living.

Sworn to in Open court the fifth day of July 1820

S/ Jacob Thomas

[Fact in file: Veteran died February 28, 1831.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing May 1, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to Jacob Thomas S39106

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 17 March 2022.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I do Certify that Jacob Thomas enlisted as Soldier in the 3 Reg't L Dragoons July 18th 1777 for Three years which time he has faithfully served

Wm. Barret Capt [William Barret VAS1197]

Baylors [George Baylor W5966] Dragoons

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm. Barret". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed text.