

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Acor (Acre, Achor) S39144

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Tennessee State

Washington County} May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1818

First Judicial Circuit

On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of the State of Tennessee for the said Circuit personally appeared Jacob Acer [sic] aged (to the best of his information) fifty-eight years resident in said County said Circuit, 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 Jacob Acer enlisted in Captain Willes [sic, perhaps John P. Wyllys] Company in the State of New York at a Fort called West Point – in the 9<sup>th</sup> Connecticut Regiment commanded by Colonel Webb [Samuel Blachley Webb], that he continued to serve in the said Corps (or on Detachment) in the Service of the United States, until the end of the Revolutionary War when he was discharged from service in the year 1782 (as well as now recollected) in said New York State said West Point, that he left his discharge at his Mother's in Philadelphia that he went to Jersey to work and on his removal from Philadelphia he could not find his discharge (it being somehow lost or mislaid) for which reason he cannot now produce it, and while in said service which was about five years he was in the battles at Road Island [Rhode Island?]; at Springfield [June 23, 1780] in Jersey at James Town<sup>1</sup> and at York Town [October 19, 1781]<sup>2</sup> in Virginia at the taking of Cornwallis – 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 now in his power of his said services

S/ Jacob Acor, X his mark

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid

S/ Thomas Emmerson

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County of Washington

Schedule

District of Washington SS October Term 1820

<sup>1</sup> Perhaps a reference to July 6, 1781 Jamestown Ford, <https://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/810706-green-spring/>

<sup>2</sup> September 28-October 19, 1781 Siege of Yorktown <https://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/810928-yorktown/>

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 1820, personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the said district Jacob Acre [sic] aged sixty-three years, resident in Washington County in this District who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: to wit that he the said Jacob Acre enlisted at West Point in the month of May 1777 into the Continental service, in the Revolutionary war, under Captain Willis of the 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Connecticut line of Troops, which Regiment was commanded by Colonel Webb, that he enlisted therein for during the war, and served out the time and was discharged at West Point by Colonel Webb at the close of the war and was in the Battles of Rhode Island, Springfield, James Town, & Cornwallis's capture & applied for a pension the date of which declaration was March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1818 and did obtain the same by issuance of Certificate No. 12,537 and dated 21<sup>st</sup> July 1819

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 and that I have not since that time, by gift, sale or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1818; and I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property, 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 pitching axe, one hand axe, three gouges, one chisel, and seven sets of Stools which he has made and sold out to different persons for [indecipherable word],<sup>3</sup> at nine shillings per set, That he is a turner [?]<sup>4</sup> by trade, and carries it on so as to make an addition to his pension as means of support – (when health and ability permits) that he has a wife and four children living, the oldest of which is now thirteen, second eleven, third nine and fourth seven, his wife and oldest child or both laboring under the want of health

S/ Jacob Acre, X his mark


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Warrant No. 1146 issued to Jacob Achor [sic] – who was a private in the Connecticut line, for one hundred acres of land, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 1829 And delivered to the Honorable John Blair

[p 15: On Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of July 1833 in Washington County Tennessee, Henry Marsh was appointed the administrator of the Estate of Jacob Acre]

[p 20: On Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 1834 in Washington County, John B. Jones and John Shirfy gave testimony that Jacob Acor died on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1833 and that Acor at the time of his death had no wife or children known to the affiants.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 19, 1818, for service as a private for 5 years in the Connecticut Continental line.]

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