

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Richards S40334

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State of Ohio Champaign County: SS

On this 23rd day of December 1829, Personally appeared before the subscriber William Fithian an associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for Champaign County State of Ohio; Jacob Richards a resident of said County aged sixty-eight years; who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820, that he the said Jacob Richards enlisted for the term of Eighteen months in the month of May, preceding the taking of Charleston [May 12th, 1780] in South Carolina. He enlisted in the Virginia line commanded by Captain Adam Wallis [Adam Wallace] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Heath [William Heth] in the line of the State of Virginia, that he the said Jacob Richards continued to serve in said Corps, and was in Buford's defeat [Battle of Waxhaws, May 29, 1780] in the State of Carolina, and continued in the service until he was discharged from the service near Chesterfield Courthouse in the State of Virginia; that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is not on any pension Roll of any State, except the one above mentioned; and that the following all the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension; that he the said Jacob Richards did apply¹ about nine years ago since, and was deferred from making further application by being informed that the law was altered:

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

Schedule

71 acres of Land, value	\$142.00	Amount Brot. up	\$279.02
3 head of horses	85.00	3 Barrels value	1.50
3 Head of cows	24.00	1 Big Wheel	.75
2 head of calves	4.00	1 Hay fork	.37 ½
8 Head of Sheep	5.90	1 Cutting box	1.75
5 Head of hogs	7.00	1 Drawing Knife	.37 ½

¹ There is no earlier application in this file.

1 Loom	5.00	3 Chizzles [Chisels]	.75
Household & kitchen furniture	12.00	1 handsaw	.75
2 plows value	5.00	Hay	<u>7.00</u>
2 Axes	2.00		\$310.27 ½
1 Mattock	1.25	Sundries Amounts to	<u>29.20</u>
2 Hoes	.37 ½	Total Amt.	\$339.47 ½
3 Bushels dried fruit	1.50		
1 Spinning wheel	<u>2.00</u>		
	\$297.02 ½		

S/ Jacob Richards, X his mark

The applicant Jacob Richards purchased the land that he now owns the 71 acres above mentioned 5 years since and exchanged in payment for it, horses, Cattle and a wagon, which are rendering declarant Jacob Richards further states that his family consist of the following members: – Margaret Richards, wife of declarant aged 52 last March, who from age & infirmity is totally incapacitated from lending assistance or support, Doreas Richards, daughter of said Jacob Richards aged thirty years, who from her youth is rendered unable to render assistance or support, Eleanor Bayley aged fifty-eight, who has lived with declarant 38 years and who is now decrepit, and therefore rendered wholly unable to afford any assistance or support. And the declarant Jacob Richards further saith that he is not now able to attend in Court by reason of bodily infirmity.

S/ Jacob Richards

Being called upon by Jacob Richards to state what I know relative to his serving the United States in the revolutionary war I know he was enlisted in May in the year 1778 by Lieutenant Thomas Nutter of Captain William Lawthers [William Lowther's] company at Nutter's Fort in the then Augusta County Virginia for the term of eighteen months and was sent to Stanton [Staunton] in County Seat to be sworn in I often heard of his being in the Service during the eighteen months and that after his discharge I heard of his returning to Augusta County with his discharge and that he hired for the term of three months more and returned to the service. Witness my hand & seal this 29th day of December 1830

S/ Arnold Richards



This day Robert Lowther personally appeared before me Benjamin Bassel a Justice of the peaceful Harrison County State of Virginia and made oath that Jacob Richards enlisted as a soldier in the regular Service in the year seventy-eight or nine and went from this, then in Augusta County, to Stantown and this deponent saw him no more for about 3 years when he said Jacob Richards returned home to his Father's.

Sworn to before me this 10th day of October 1829

S/ Benj. Bassel, JP

Harrison County Virginia to wit

This day came Joseph Kester, before me, one of the justices of the peace for the County

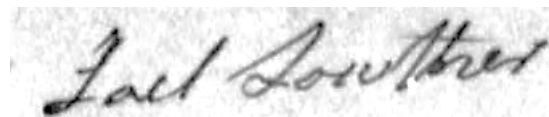
aforesaid, and made oath that after Charlestown South Carolina was taken, he saw Jacob Richards in Brock's gap as he returned from the service in the southern Army & was informed by several persons that he said Richards had a proper discharge but did not hear it read or saw it.

Given under my hand this 15th day of October 1829

S/ Joseph Chevront, JP

Deposition of Joel Lowther² of Alexander Township in the County of Athens and State of Ohio on the 4th day of May in the year of our Lord 1829 the said Joel Lowther dith [did] depose and say that Jacob Richards in May I think 1779 __ day listed [enlisted] by Thomas Nutter an officer in Nutter Fort on the West fork of the Monongahela River then in Augusta County Virginia for the Term of 18 months & Joel Lowther was enlisted at the same time we was directed to Stantown the County seat and there was sworn to and received according to law and received a certificate for our time and directed to Fredericksburg where we found Captain Adam Wallace's Company Colonel Heth's Regiment and received a full him suit regulars clothing and full equipage for war we remained in said Company until May following when Charles Town [Charleston] was taken then we was parted I saw him no more till he was discharged and came with [indecipherable word]³.

S/ Joel Lowther



The State of Ohio Athens County: personally appeared before the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County Joel Lowther and took solemn oath to the facts contained in the above deposition.

Athens County Alexander Township May 4th A.D. 1829

S/ Samuel McKee, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing January 14, 1831, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line for 18 months.]

² FPA W4269 transcribed and posted in this database 6/23/12.

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