

Southern Campaign and American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Amos Spencer S40484

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The State of Ohio Miami County SS

Be it remembered that on this seventeenth day of June in the year of our Lord 1823 personally appeared in open court being a court of record, to wit, the court of common Pleas within & for the County of Miami aforesaid and the first circuit in the State of Ohio, Amos Spencer a resident of said County of Miami and aged sixty-four years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision may by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and 1st of May 1820 and 1st of March 1823. That he the said Amos Spencer enlisted for the Term of three years sometime in the fall of the year 1776 in the County of Prince William in the State of Virginia, on the Continental establishment in the company for some time commanded by Captain Gallaher [very likely a mistaken reference to Capt. Charles Gallahue¹] in the Eleventh Regiment, commanded for some time by Colonel Morgan [Daniel Morgan] & afterwards by Colonel Feebaker [Christian Febiger] & after by Colonel Wood [perhaps James Wood] in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment, That he continued to serve in the said Corps until about November 1780 when he was discharged from the said service at Kakial [?] in the State of New York that he was in the Battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] & Stony Point [July 16, 1779] and that he has no other evidence in his possession or power of his services except the Depositions of Valentine Fritz² and William Grant.³ 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, Deponent further states that he is by provision [profession] a Weaver, and through bodily infirmity occasioned in a great degree by the updating of a wagon of ammunition & Baggage which fell on him on the retreat at the Battle of Brandywine), he is entirely unable to follow any employment or engage in any labor he has no children residing with him, and his wife has recently deceased

Schedule of property owned by Amos Spencer

¹ Gallahue is listed as a Captain in the 11th Virginia Regt. He was killed at Sag Harbor May 23, 1777 (but see the deposition of William Grant below in which he says Capt. Gollihu died of small pox in Dumfries).

² Sic, Valentine Fritts (Fretts, Frith) FPA 42732

³ FPA S42760

one horse	\$16.00
1 old saddle	2.00
1 old loon & Tacklins	4.00
1 log chain & stretchers	4.75
1 old shot gun	2.50
2 cows [?] & 1 grubbing hoe	2.00
1 cow	6.00
1 do & calf	8.50
7 Harrow Teeth	2.25
9 Barrels	1.25
1 auger	<u>.37 ½</u>
	\$49.12 ½

Sworn and subscribed to this 17th day of June 1823 in open Court
S/ Amos Spencer, X his mark

The State of Ohio Montgomery County: SS Valentine Fritz of lawful age being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he served as a private in the 11th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Feebaker and afterwards by Colonel Heath [William Heth] between the year 1776 and 1779 and that during that time he was acquainted with Amos Spencer now before him and knows that he served upwards of two years in said Regiment in the Revolutionary war as a private and messed with him one summer season, that he obtained his service before said Spencer & left him in the service.

Sworn & subscribed before me September 1819

S/ Valentine Fritz, X his mark

The State of Ohio Butler County: SS

Be it remembered that on the 9th day of June 1823 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace William Grant of the said County of Butler who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he well knows one Amos Spencer of the County of Miami in this State who is here present, and that said Amos Spencer enlisted as a Soldier in the State of Virginia in Prince William County in the month of October 1776 for three years in the Revolutionary War, and about two weeks afterwards this Deponent enlisted also, and that they both served three years in the Regiment then called the 11th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Morgan, and under one Lieutenant Jesse Davis (the Captain Gollihu having died of the smallpox in Dumfries) and that they fought together at Brandywine, Germantown [October 4, 1777], & Monmouth [June 28, 1778], and several other Battles of less note, said Spencer & this Deponent were both private Soldiers, and did faithfully served in the Army of the revolution three years and further he saith not –

Sworn to & subscribed before me the date above

S/ James Heaton, JP

S/ William Grant



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 17, 1823 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line for 3 years.]

The [Virginia State Library](http://www.virginia.gov) online digital collection contains the following documents relating to this veteran:

Amos Spencer a Private Soldier in the 7th Virginia Regiment in the service of the United States of America having served as a good and faithful Soldier the full Term of his enlistment* is now discharged from any further service in said Regiment.

Given under my hand at camp in the State of New York this 2nd day of November 1779

S/ James Wood, Colo Com 1st V. Brigade

*three years

J Wood

The said Amos Spencer is to Draw provisions as the ??

Posts on his return to Prince William County in Virginia

J Wood Col. Com.

Amos Spencer a Private Soldier in the 7th Virginia Regiment in the Service of the United States of America, having served as a good and faithful Soldier the full Term of his enlistment, * is now discharged from any further service in the said Regiment.

Given under my hand at camp in the State of New York the 2^d Day of November 1779.

James Wood Colo Com 1st V. Brigade

J Wood Col. Com.

[reverse]

I Amos Spencer do sine [assign?] all my Rite [right]

titel [title], intrist [interest] and Demand of this

With in [within] Discharge to [?] Gideon Dunhom [?]

for [indecipherably faint words] receved [received] as witness my

hand this 2 day [paper compromised and word illegible] 1778 [sic]

Witness present

Jeremiah Dunhom

Amos Spencer

Rebeakah Spencer

I Amos Spenser do here all my free
total interest and Demand of this
with in Discharge of said Demand
for which I receive as witness my
hand this 2 day of July 1798
Witness my hand Amos Spenser
of said County of Guilford
Belmont