Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of John Turner: S40594
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Ohio} SS On this 6th Day of June 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges
Washington County} of the Court of Common Pleas within and for the County of Washington personally appeared John Turner Resident in said county 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 in the Revolutionary
I John Turner of the township of Adams County of Washington and State of Ohio being a person as I Believe intitled to a pension under the act of Congress passed March 18th 1818 intitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary war do agreeable to the provisions in said act make this my declaration under the solemnities of an oath I Enlisted in the County of Sussex in the State of Delaware in the month of March or April 1778 as a private soldier and joined the Company Commanded by Capt Peter Jaquit [sic: Jacquett] and Regiment Commanded by Colo Joseph Vaughan and served my Country against the common enemy until June 1783 in the Delaware line when I was regularly discharged which Discharge I have since lost I was in the Battles of Camblin when Gates was defeated [Battle of Camden SC when Gen. Horatio Gates was defeated, 16 Aug 1780] and was taken prisoner and Remained with the British 8 days when I made my escape also at Guilford Courthouse [15 Mar 1781]. Likewise in the Battle at the Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781]
I am now 55 years of age since the 31st day of may last past and have no other Evidence to prove my aforesaid services by and I am in Reduced circumstances and need the assistance of my Country for support.

Office of the Secretary of the State of Delaware Dover 12 February 1819
There are in this office pay roles of Captain Peter Jaquett's company, which was attached and formed part of the Delaware Regiment on the Continental establishment in the service of the United States during the revolutionary war, from the month of May 1777 to the month of March 1780; and also muster roles of the said company for February April June August September October & November 1778 & February and April 1780; from which it appears that a man named "John Turner" enlisted in the said company on the 7th April 1778 and continued therein as a private soldier until and during the month of April 1780: and he is never noted among the sick the absent the prisoners or deserters.
It further appears, from a muster role, of the noncommissioned officers drummers and fifers and rank and file of this late Delaware Regiment that the first company of the second battalion in Col. [Otho] Willliams' Regiment serving in the Southern army of the United States, active "Hillsborough N. Carolina Sept. 1780" sworn to on 10 October 1780 by "Peter Jaquett Capt. D.R.", and which muster role is now in this office, that a private soldier of the name of "John Turner" then belonged to and was in service in the said company. H. M. Ridgely

For the purpose of obtaining the Benefit of the act entitled an act for the Relief of certain surviving officers & soldiers of the armey of the Revelution, approved on the the 15th of May 1828 I John Turner of the County of Monroe in the State of Ohio do hereby Declare that I enlisted in the Contanental line of the armey of the Revelution for and during the War in the 1778 and Continued in its Service untill its termination; at which period I was a privet in Captain Peter Jaquits Companey in the Delaware Ridgment of the line Commanded by Colonal Joseph Vechan and I also declare that I afterwards Received certificates for the Reward of Eighty Dollars; to which I was entitled under a Resolution of Congress passed the fifteenth day of May 1778 and I further declare that I was not on the fifteenth day of May 1828 on the pention List of the united States and I further declare that I am the Same John Turner above mentioned a Liveing untill this day Witness my hand this fifth day of July in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and Twenty Eight John hisXmark Turner