

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jonathan Theames S42042

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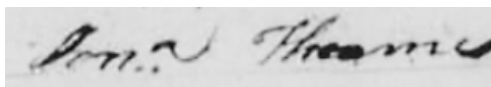
State of North Carolina, Cumberland County, SS

On this 1st day of September 1819, before me John D. Toomer one of the Judges of the Superior Court of Law & Equity for the said state, personally appeared Jonathan Theames of Cumberland County & State aforesaid aged Sixty Two years, resident in Cumberland County in said state, who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision 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 Jonathan Theames was drafted for the term of Twelve months on the 15th day of May in the year 1781 at Cross Creek in Fayetteville in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Dennis Porterfield of the Regiment commanded by Major Redin Blount [sic, Reading Blount or Redden Blount] in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental Establishment; and that he continued to serve in said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the 1st day of June 1782, when he was discharged from service at Bacon's Bridge South Carolina State of South Carolina – that he was in the battles of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] South Carolina & in a Scrimmage at Stono River South Carolina with the infantry, Colonel Laran [? Lenoir or Lanier?] on Detachment command and was orderly Sergeant to Captain Benjamin Bailey after the death of Captain D. Porterfield who was killed in the battle [of] Eutaw Springs South Carolina and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that the has no other evidence now in his power of his services, except the annexed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John D. Toomer, JSCL&E

S/ Jona Theames



State of North Carolina, Cumberland County

This day personally appeared before me John D. Toomer one of the Judges of the Superior Court of Law & Equity for the State of North Carolina, Theophilus Evans of Cumberland County & State aforesaid after being duly Sworn according to Law deposeseth and saith that he is personally acquainted with Jonathan Theames the present Claimant for Pension, and that he the said Evans was acquainted with the said Jonathan Theames in the year 1781 and that he the said Jonathan Theames was drafted into the Continental Service at Fayetteville North Carolina in the year 1781 and was attached to Captain Dennis Porterfield's Company & marched with him from this State for South Carolina about the first of June 1781 and the said Jonathan

Theames did continue in the Continental Service & in the Line of the State of North Carolina for the time of twelve months to the best of this deponent's recollection. This deponent further saith that he is personally acquainted with the circumstances in life of the said Jonathan Theames aforesaid & that they are so reduced & the said Themes so afflicted by a sore leg as to Require Support from the United States.

S Theo. Evans



Subscribed & sworn to before me this 1st September A.D. 1819
S/ John D. Toomer, JSCL&E

State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 11th April 1820

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears from the muster rolls of the Continental line of this State, that Jonathan Tims a Sergeant in Captain Bailey's Company of the 10th Regiment was mustered on the 25 May 1781 for 12 months and that he left the service on the 25 May 1782.

Given under my hand the date above.

S/ Wm Hill

The name of this applicant is not written on the Rolls as he signs or spells it himself, but I have no doubt but it was intended for the same person.

S/ Wm Hill

State of North Carolina

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions begun and held for the County of Cumberland at the Court House in Fayetteville on the 1st Monday in September being the 4th day of the Month in the 45th year of American Independence A.D. 1820 --

On this 4th day of September 1820, Personally Appeared in Open Court, being a Court of record, Jonathan Theames, Age 64 years a resident of said County who being first duly Sworn according to Law doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War, as a Soldier under Captain Porterfield, marched from this State to South Carolina, was in the battle of the Eutaw Springs in September 1781, when his Captain was killed, then the Company was commanded by Captain Ben Bailey and after the Battle was over he served in the 1st Regiment of the North Carolina Continental line -- And was regularly discharged in camp at Bacon Bridge [sic, Bacon's Bridge] about June 1782. That he hath received a certificate of Pension which is No. 16935.

And he furthermore swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or other wise disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 h has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed (Viz), One Saddle & Bridle, in use about two years, One Old Shot Gun in Use since the Revolutionary War, Working tools of the Carpenter's trade-- He furthermore Swears that he is by trade a House Carpenter, that he is not able to labor at the Trade at all, that he has no family and has labored under bodily infirmity for many years past.

I John Armstrong Clerk of the Court aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing Oath

and the Schedule there unto Annexed are truly copied from the record of the said Court – And I do further certify that it is the Opinion of the Said Court that the total amount of Value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is \$35.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court on this 14th day of September A.D. 1820.

S/ Jno. Armstrong

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September first, 1819 for service as a private for one year in the North Carolina Continental line.]