

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Layman S4504

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

State of Tennessee, Sevier County:

On this 3 day of September 1832, Personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, now sitting Jacob Layman a resident of Sevier County and State aforesaid, aged 73 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers – That he was first ordered out by Colonel Barber (or Borver) [perhaps Colonel James Barbour] to guard the Hessians who were taken prisoners to Elbemarl Barracks [Albemarle barracks] & that these prisoners were Burgoyne's men – that he belonged to the 8th division of the Virginia Troops – his other officers are not recollected at this time and that Colonel Barber said, all those who would help guard the Hessian Prisoners to Elbemarl Barracks should be relieved of a subsequent tour which was six months tour, and said applicant rendered the services of one of a guard to convey said Hessians to said Barracks – was then discharged and returned home to Culpeper County Virginia. Said applicant was born in Redden [sic,?] ¹ County and State of Pennsylvania but had removed to Virginia before the revolution – Said applicant further states that he entered the service of the United States in the State of Virginia Shenandoah County as a Substitute for Reuben Beaver who then lived in Virginia & Shenandoah County – he marched thence to Richmond Virginia under the command of Captain BonyWith [?] and when he arrived at Richmond he was attached to the Infantry under the command of General Mulinburg [Peter Muhlenberg], Major Boys [perhaps William Boyce] & others &c that he served this tour there for ten weeks & was discharged & returned home to Culpeper County Virginia. That his Services in all was for a term of more than 7 months that he served in the armies of the United States.

That he sometime after the Declaration of Independence was made he removed to Tennessee Sevier County where he has resided until the present time.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. That he knows of no person living within 75 or 100 miles whose testimony he can procure who could Testify to his Services and that he has no Documentary Evidence to sustain his claim to the benefit of the act

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of Congress passed 7th June 1832.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Jacob Layman



[Elijah Rodgers, a clergyman, and William C. Maples gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Amended Declaration of Jacob Layman of the State of Tennessee Sevier County for a Pension claim given to Soldiers of Revolution by an Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

In answer to the 4th question & first negative of the Brief Jacob Layman the Declarant states that he entered the service of the United States under Colonel Barber – that General George Washington had taken 900 Hessians Prisoner at Trenton Town [December 26, 1776] in the State of New Jersey on the 25th December 1777] sic]. That he was ordered out by said Barber to guard said Hessian Prisoners to Elbemarl Barracks. That he assisted in guarding said prisoners 5 months in 1777 & 1778 & that he belonged to the 8th Division of the Virginia Troops and served as a Private during said 5 months to Elbemarl Barracks, was then discharged & returned home to Culpeper County Virginia.

In relation to 5th question & 2nd negative of the Brief said Declarant states that he served 5 months under the command of Colonel Barber & again afterwards he served 10 weeks under the command of General Mulinburg, Maj. Boys & Captain Bonywith & that he served 10 weeks under said Mulinburg as a substitute for Reuben Beam [?] & that his term of Service in the United States as a private is 7 months & 14 days.

In relation to the 6th question 3rd negative of the Brief said Applicant states he has [paper damaged and word obliterated] the names of the officers under whom he served to the best of his recollection and as near as practicable in conformity with the regulations.

To question & c said Declarant states he has obtained the clerks seal of office.

Said Declarant has made a relinquishment to every claim to any other pension than the one under the act of Congress of 7th of June 1832.

Said Applicant has no Documentary Evidence to sustain his claim & knows of no living witness whose testimony he can procure.

Sworn to and subscribed this the 5th day of June 1833

S/ Jacob Layman

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$24.44 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months and 10 days in the Virginia militia.]