

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Higgins S5527

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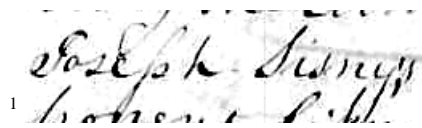
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The State of Ohio Butler County

Court of Common Pleas of the Term of July A.D. 1832: SS

On this first day of August in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Butler and State of Ohio Daniel Higgins, aged seventy-three years, a resident of the County of Butler aforesaid 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 enlisted at Pittsburgh Pennsylvania in the month of June, 1777 to serve in Captain Jacobus Sullivan's Company of the 13th Regiment, of the Virginia Line, on Continental Establishment – deponent was stationed at Pittsburgh Pennsylvania for a term of Eight months, when deponent hired a substitute and left the service – On the 25th of August 1779 deponent volunteered to serve in General Broadhead's [Daniel Brodhead's] Campaign up the Allegheny River against the Muncy [Munsee] Indians in Captain Clark's Company of militia which they were marched on the same day – deponent was subsequently engaged in different companies under different officers and in various expeditions against the Indians – deponent was stationed during one term of two months in Captain Joseph Sisny's [sic?]¹ Company on the Ohio [River] deponent likewise served under Captain John Wall, who was stationed on the Reardin Bottom on the Ohio – deponent likewise served under command of Lieutenant Bell, in Captain Andrew Hood's Company who was stationed on Shirtee Creek [?]² near the mouth on Hand's place – deponent served during Crawford's Campaign [William Crawford's Campaign, May 25-June 12, 1782]³ on the Upper Sadusky [Sandusky] River, in 1782, when Lieutenant Bell aforesaid was killed at Crawford's defeat. – Deponent served during the Revolutionary War more than sixteen months and in subsequent wars four years and a half – deponent has no written discharge – has no record of his age but states that he was born on the 25th day of August in the year 1759, in the North of Ireland – After the close of the war deponent lived near Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania about twelve years when he removed to Brook County Virginia [Brooke County, now W VA]



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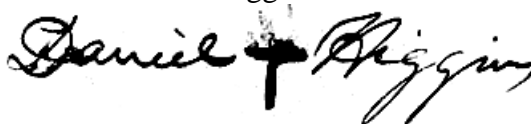
The War Department interpreted this name as Joseph or Jonathan Cisney

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³ [William Crawford BLWT921-500](#)

where he lived about two years when he came to the State of Ohio where he has lived seven or eight years – deponent has lived in Butler County about one – deponent knows of no person living by whom he can prove his services except Francis [last name written over and illegible]⁴, by whom he can prove them in part – deponent is well known to John A. Foot and other citizens of Warren by whom he believes he can prove his character for truth and veracity and his general reputation as a soldier of the Revolution – he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State – deponent volunteered when he went out in Crawford's Campaign and Company at the rendezvous at the Mingo bottoms below Pittsburg in May 1782 and he continued in the service until after the defeat of Crawford when he made his escape with the loss of his mare saddle & bridle.

S/ Daniel Higgins



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I Francis Dunlevy [sic] resident of the County of Warren hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with Daniel Higgins who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration. I was acquainted with said Higgins during the war of the revolution and served to Campaigns with him the first was under Colonel Broadhead in his expedition against the Indians up the Allegheny River. I served with him about thirty-three days during that campaign. I was also with him in the campaign of Crawford and know that he served in Crawford's Campaign as well as in the Campaign of Colonel Broadhead and believes that he is seventy-three years old.

S/ Francis Dunlavy⁶



The State of Ohio Butler County: SS

Before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Butler came personally Daniel Higgins who has subscribed and sworn to the within declaration and said Daniel Higgins being duly sworn deposed and saith that he served in the Revolutionary war under Captain Clark in the expedition against the Munsee Indians for a tour of 32 days according to the best of his recollection, that he served under Captain Wall at the Reardin Bottom on the Ohio a tour of 2 months – that he served under [indecipherable] [this document cuts off at this point and bears no indication that it was signed by the veteran]

[p 22: John Foote and Joseph Foot gave modified standard supporting affidavits.]

[Facts in file: In 1837 the veteran was living in Boone County Indiana with his children, not named, and in 1839 moved to Short Creek, Belmont County, Ohio to be with two of his sons and



⁴ Probably Francis Dunlavy [Dunleavy] whose supporting affidavit is transcribed below.

⁵ In all subsequent documents filed by the veteran, he is shown as signing using his mark. Consequently, it is possible that the above is not the actual signature of the veteran but rather is an indication by the scribe that the veteran did sign the application using his mark.]

⁶ [Francis Dunlavy S2526](#)

a daughter, not named. In 1847, he was living in Jefferson County, Ohio. There is no further family data in this file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$53.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 16 months in the Virginia service.]