

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Frederick Simons S6096

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State of Pennsylvania }
Bedford County } Ss

On this 25th day of April AD 1834, personally appeared in open Court, before the Honb'le. Alexander Thomson President and his associates Judges of the court of Common pleas of said County Frederick Simons a resident of Cumberland Valley Township in the County of Bedford, and State of Pennsylvania aged seventy two 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 enlisted into the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated. In the year 1780 in the fall of the year & on or about the 1st of November applicant with two other young men was in Frederick Town Maryland and it was proposed that they should enlist, which they all agreed to, and they accordingly enlisted with a man known as Captain Lynn [David Lynn, pension application W9151], from whom they each received eight dollars. That after their enlistment they were directed to return home, & make preparation & hold themselves in readiness for active service. That they returned home & remained there until the next spring, about the last of March, or first of April, when they were called to Frederick town, where they were stationed until about the 1st of June, when they marched to join the regular army under Gen'l. Washington. That from Frederick applicant marched with the company to George Town on the Potomack [sic: Georgetown on the Potomac River], where on account of some difficulties which arose amongst the Officers, they encamped a considerable time applicant cannot recollect how long. That from Georgetown they marched to Yorktown Virginia where Cornwallis was besieged by the American Army & the French Fleet and that he remained there engaged in duty until Cornwallis surrendered [19 Oct 1781]. After the surrender of Cornwallis applicant returned to Frederick Town with the Army, guarding the prisoners, British & Hessians, who had been taken at York Town. That after his return to Frederick he obtained a furlough for the purpose of visiting his parents, which continued three or four weeks at the end of which time he returned again to Frederick & was again engaged in guarding the prisoners until the last of March when he was discharged.

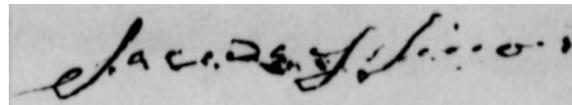
Applicant states that he marched from Frederick Town under the command of Major Arthur Fleming – Captain Creager – Col. James Johnson & he believes Lieut. Hillary. That he enlisted for during the war, and resided in Frederick County Md within eighteen miles from Frederick Town when he enlisted. That he was born in March 1762 in Berks County Pennsylvania and was eighteen years of age when he enlisted having been taken whilst very young to Maryland. That he has a record of his age in his possession. He also states that he had a discharge signed by Captain Creager (or Kreager) which he gave to his father when he returned home, but cannot say what became of it. He never had a commission

There is no clergyman in his neighborhood whose certificate he can produce. George Sliger & Campbell Hendrickson can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of his services.

There is no other testimony that he knows of other than that hereto annexed.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever 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. applicant further states that after his return from service he settled in Fred'k County Md. where he resided some time when he removed to Franklin County Penn'a and resided there until 1795 when he settled in Cumberland in Alleghany County Md. where he remained until 1797 when he removed into Bedford County where he has resided ever since.

Jacias F Simon [?]

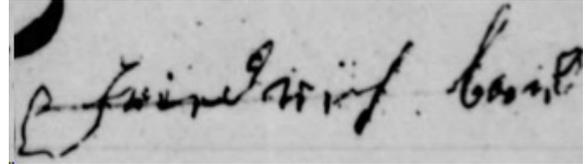
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jacias F. Simon". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted and fluid.

Adams County State of Pennsylvania to wit

Personally appeared Before me the subscriber one of the commonwelths justice of the peace in and for said County Frederick Beard [pension application W3379] and Deposeth and Saith that he this deponant and Frederick Simons were Both Soldiers together in the Revolutionary War, and further Deponant deposeth and saith that He and Frederick Simons were mess mates and marched under the Command of Captain Creager.

Sworn and Subscribed 17th August 1837

[signed in German, Friedrich bart?]



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John Ake Sen'r. a resident of said County age about seventy five years having been duly sworn saith. That he is not[?] acquainted with Frederick Simons who has applied for a Pension. That he (this deponant) in the latter part of the year 1781 was engaged in guarding the prisoners who had been taken at the surrender of Cornwallis and who had been marched to Fredericktown in Maryland That the events & circumstances connected with his services at that time are fresh in his memory

That he has conversed several times with said Fred'k Simons about things which occurred at that time, and about persons engaged in the same service, and particularly Captain Creger (or Kreger) and from all he has heard from said F Simons he verily believes he was engaged at that time as he states, & feels certain he was there and thinks it probable he was acquainted with him at that time.

Sworn to & subscribed this 24th day of August 1836.

