

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Young S7998

VA

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State of Virginia }

County of Franklin }

On this 3rd day of September [1832] personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County Court of Franklin aforesaid, now sitting, (the same being a Court of Record) James Young a resident in the County aforesaid & State of Virginia aged 77 years who being first 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 was born in Orange County Va on the 16 of June 1755. At the age of 14 years he moved to Franklin County Va [sic: formed from Bedford and Henry counties in 1786] & feeling deeply interested in the welfare of his country & desirous of lending his assistance to prevent the depredation of Indians he entered the Service of the United States in the year 77 under Capt Brice Martin [of Henry County] at Town Creek Franklin Cty as a substitute & marched 30 miles beyond New River Va on a scouting party against the Indians in which service he was engaged three months & was then discharged. He then returned home where he continued 18 months. He was then drafted into Capt James Cowden company & marched down to Prince Edward C H [Court House] Va where he joined the continental troops under the Command of Major Pernelle & then marched down in the neighbourhood of James Town, Williamsburg & Little York in which service he continued till the battle between Gen'l LaFayette & Col Tarlton [sic: Banastre Tarleton] was fought between Williamsburg & James Town [possibly Battle of Hot Water Plantation, 6 mi NW of Williamsburg VA, 26 Jun 1781]. He was then marched up to Marpn Hills 15 miles below Richmond [sic: Malvern Hill about 15 mi SE of Richmond] & there discharged making in the whole a tour of three months service. He returned home & as soon as he returned home he was drafted into Capt James Terence [sic: James Tarrant's] company & marched to Glasgow in Rockingham County Va as a guard to the British prisoners in number 163 taken at the Eutaw Springs Sept 8 1781 South Carolina – In which service he was six weeks & then discharged. [See endnote.] He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll in the agency of any state. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

James hisXmark Young

NOTE: On 7 March 1833 Young made a declaration identical to the above except for the following insertion: “He is not apprised of any person living person who can testify at this time as to the whole service contained in this declaration, that the persons who served with him are dead or gone, so that he has no knowledge of their place of residence that he has lost the discharges mentioned above but thinks that the evidence of Abednego Hodges [pension application S38037] will shew that he has served as stated.” On 4 March 1833 Abednego Hodges certified that he had seen Young in the army near Jamestown and Malvern Hill.