

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Davis S8281 VA
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At a Court held for the County of Accomack, on the 24th day of September 1832.

James Davis appeared in Court and made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed on the 7th day of June 1832 Viz. “Declaration of James Davis, In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 – State of Virginia & County of Accomack, on this the [blank] day of August personally appeared in open court before the Court of Accomack County now sitting, James Davis a resident in the County of Accomack & State of Virginia, aged Sixty nine years & upwards 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 the 7th 1832 – that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. I was born in the State of Maryland March 4th 1762, my father moved into Accomack County State of Virginia when I was about twelve years old where I have lived ever since and still lives in said County. I have none [record of his birth], but it was set down in a book which brother Major had at the death of my Father, in the County of Accomack and has lived there ever since and still lived in said County and state aforesaid – I was called into service in a company commanded by Capt Thomas Marshall in which I was enroled – I am known by James Gillet, William Welbourn, William Nock, Robert Chase and Thomas C Delestatious – I did duty in a company of Militia commanded by Capt Thomas Marshall, attached to the 2^d Reg’t. Virginia Militia commanded by Col. Southy Simpson [Southey Simpson] and after his death by Col. George Corbin to the end of the war – I entered the service and went on guard I think in July 1777 the first time at Wallops Island where I was stationed the most of the time, I did duty at Musqueto point [Mosquito Point] on Pocomoke river and on Onancock Creek and at other places and on many alarms in the whole at different times I verily believe upwards of two years. – I hereby relinquish 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 whatever.

James hisXmark Davis”

NOTES:

Robert Chase (pension application W6910) certified that he had served with Davis.

A document dated 7 April 1851 certified that the following were the only living children of the deceased James Davis: Noah Davis, Henry Davis, and Betsey Hall.