

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Foster James

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[p3] Virginia certificate 7102

James Foster of Monroe County

Private under Colonel Davis 3 years

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[p5] At a court continued & held for the County of Monroe the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1818

James Foster aged seventy years the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March next and resident in the county aforesaid who being by the clerk of said county first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the pension made by the late act of congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary war. That he the said James Foster enlisted in the year 1776 and in Bedford County state aforesaid in a company of musketry commanded by George Lambert and was attached to the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. William Davis [William Davies]. The said James Foster enlisted for three years. That he continued to serve in said corps until the end of said term of three years when he was discharged from the service of the United States in Philadelphia State of Pennsylvania in the year 1779. And that his discharge was left by himself in the office at Richmond with a certain Meriwether who paid up to him the amount due for his services deficiency of clothing & back rations. That he was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, & the taking of Stony Point. That he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need if the assistance of his country for support. & that he has no other evidence now in his power of said services. The said court of Monroe do certify that it appears to their satisfaction that the said James Foster did serve in the revolutionary war as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy for the term of three years in continental establishment and that they are also satisfied from his declaration aforesaid as well as from the testimony of Maj<sup>f</sup> Saml Clark that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

The said court do therefore direct that their clerk transmit the proceedings and testimony said as taken before them to the secretary of the War department pursuant to the directions of the before mentioned act of Congress. In testimony whereof I John

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Hutchison Jr., Deputy for Isaac Hutchison Clerk of the said County Court of Monroe have hereunto set my hand & affixed the seal of the said court at Union this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1818 & in the 43<sup>rd</sup> year of the commonwealth of Virginia.

Jno Hutchison Jr. DC

For Isaac Hutchison, Clerk

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At a court held for the County of Monroe at the courthouse on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1820.

On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1820 personally appeared in open court (being a court of record for said county) James Foster aged 73 years & resident in the said county. Who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath doth declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. That he enlisted in the year 1776 in Bedford County & State of Virginia in a company

of infantry commanded by Capt. George Lambert and was attached to the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. William Davis. That he enlisted for three years. That he continued to serve in said corps until the end of said term of three years where he was discharged in the city of Philadelphia the year 1779. That he made a declaration before the said county court of Monroe on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1819 & that he has received a certificate of pension dated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March numbered 7182.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 & that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 & that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed and by

[p10] me subscribed. To wit:

one mare & colt

2 chests & one trunk

two pots

one skillet

one tea kettle [sic]

a dozen cups & saucers

tea pot

coffee pot

5 tea spoons

One plough

1 pair of horse \_\_\_\_\_

Two hoes

One small tin trunk

3 chairs

A dozen knives & forks

7 hogs

2 axes

I am a blacksmith by trade but am unable to follow it being so frail & infirm.

I have a wife about 52 years old who is unable to contribute much to my support. I have one son who lives with me aged 13 years past & who is at this unable to contribute to my support. I have nothing due to me. I owe to two or three persons in all about the sum of fifteen dollars.

Value of property \$60.25 cts.

Jas Foster      x his mark

[routine county certification

John Hutchison Jr, Deputy clerk

Isaac Hutchison, clerk

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Union, Feb 8<sup>th</sup> 1821

Hon. Secretary of War

The enclosed schedules were copied & sent to your office the 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1820 as appears from the records of this office, but receiving no information respecting their reception at your

office until advised by Hon B. Smith, I have copied these records &c. Nor has a notice of Francis Meadows continuance on the pension list been received by him.

Your ob<sup>t</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>  
Jno Hutchison, Jr.