

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of David Graves S8597

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State of Virginia }

Franklin County. Virg'a }

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the justices of the County Court now sitting (being a court of record) David Graves who being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 for the relief of revolutionary soldiers. that he is a native of Caroline County Virg'a was enlisted in and is now a citizen of Franklin County Virginia [sic: formed from Henry and Bedford counties in 1786]. That he was employed in driving cattle from the said County to Fort McIntosh [built at present Beaver PA in 1778] upon the Ohio River 25 miles below [NW of] Fort Pitt under the command of Cap'tn William Swanson of the said County & State and that his tour of service occupied six months. That upon his return he was drafted as a militiaman for three months a year afterwards was again ordered upon a tour for the same length of time which he served under Captain Conden in a regiment commanded by Col [St. George] Tucker and was upon duty near Jamestown just previous to the capture of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] he returned to Franklin County in which county he has lived nearly ever since. \*The discharges which he received have been lost or mislaid never considering it necessary to preserve evidence of his character for which he refers to the court and his neighbours being known to many respectable citizens. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is upon no pension list whatever or the agency of any State \*his first discharge was signed by Capt Swanson

his second by Captain Waller

and his third by Capt Barnet

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

David hisXmark Graves