

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Perry S8947

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State of North Carolina, Currituck County

On this 28th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Cobb Etherage, William Bray, Benjamin T. Simmons and John B. Jones Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Currituck and State of North Carolina now sitting Jesse Perry in the County of Currituck and State aforesaid aged seventy-two 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 entered the service of the United States under an act of the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina under John Jarves [sic, John Jarvis] Captain, John Stewart first Lieutenant, Elias Lee second Lieutenant and Charles Coleman Ensign. He further states that Samuel Jarvis was at the time Colonel of the County of Currituck in the Company belonged to the Regiment under his Command. He enlisted into said Company on or about the 20th day of May 1776 and remained in said Company under his first enlistment until the 28th of January 1778, that he resided at the time of his enlistment in the County of Currituck and State of North Carolina and that he voluntarily enlisted in the Company aforesaid – the company was stationed during the whole time of service on Currituck Banks to guard the Coast and had during the time to small skirmishes near Naggs Head [sic, Nags Head] on said Coast when the enemy attempted to affect a landing but were repelled. Was acquainted with Brigadier Gregory during his service. -- That he has no documentary evidence but can prove the facts herein stated by Hosea Ball¹ who was a soldier in the same Company during a part of the time and took his discharge on the same day. Said Perry further states that he volunteered under Captain William Russell to go to South Carolina in March 1779 and started for that State, but on getting near Edenton it was found that the Enemy were in the State of Virginia and we were ordered first to march to North West Bridge in Norfolk County Virginia thence he went to Great Bridge in Virginia and thence to Ferry Point opposite Norfolk from thence he returned with the Company and was discharged by the Captain in the month of August of that year but no written discharges were given, he has no documentary evidence to prove his service but can prove this last service by Joshua Ball.² Said Perry further states that he volunteered under Captain Thomas Jarvis³ in November 1780 and was stationed at North West Bridge in Virginia until some time in April following and was then discharged but has lost his discharge and has no documentary evidence but can prove his service by Captain Thomas Jarvis his Captain.

The Company had an engagement with the enemy on the Green Sea Road in Norfolk

1 [Hosea Ball S2365](#)

2 [Joshua Ball S6554](#)

3 [Thomas Jarvis S2649](#)

County Virginia.

He further says he was in the Privateer Service on Board the Brig *Dolphin* Captain John M Ivys [?] and remained on board seven months, had an engagement with Private [privateer?] *O'Riley* [?] and took her.

He has no documentary evidence but can prove by Thomas Williams that he heard [sic, served?] at the same time that said Perry he was in said Privateer.

He hereby relinquishes every Claim to any or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

(signed) Jesse Perry

[Edward Hardy, a clergyman and Foster Jarvis gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Hosea Ball, maketh oath that he is well acquainted with Jesse Perry who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration and he knows that he performed the service as stated to be in the knowledge of this affiant.

(signed) Hosea Ball

Joshua Ball maketh oath that he is well acquainted with Jesse Perry who subscribed and sworn [sic] to the above declaration and that he knows that he performed the service stated to be in the knowledge of this affiant.

(signed) Joshua Ball

Thomas Jarvis maketh oath that he is well acquainted with Jesse Perry who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration and that he knows that he performed the services as above stated to be in the knowledge of this Affiant.

(signed) Thomas Jarvis

[All of the above is certified by the clerk of court as being true copies of documents of the original proceedings in said court. Thus, none of the signatures are the actual signatures of the applicants or other affiants.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the North Carolina militia.]