

The said Pension being due his father and by right accruing to his mother, who never claimed it from her ignorance of the law, he now prayed may be allowed him, as one of the surviving children of his said father, for the benefit of himself, (the said Administrator) and the other children who survived him, whose names are Polly Cookman, Jenny Smith, Nancy Richardson, Vicy Richardson, Betsy Morgan, Angy Brown, Peggy Richardson and Malony Smith.

S/ John Richardson, X his mark

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State of North Carolina Moore County Gaster No. 3

On this 13th day of September 1847 personally appeared before me P. Rollins one of the acting Magistrates in & for the County of Moore Jacob Gaster¹ a resident of the County aforesaid & the United States Pensioner, & after being first sworn in due form of law doth on his oath make the following statements.

That he first volunteered in the County of Cumberland North Carolina for a 3 months tour in the North Carolina line of Militia under Captain Daniel Buie, Colonel Philip Alston & General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene], who was commander in chief at that time, that this deponent, his Captain, Daniel Buie & many others about seventy in number were taken prisoner by the British (viz.) Tarleton's men, that this deponent (his Captain) & the balance of Captain Buie's company were guarded into Wilmington North Carolina & at that place remained prisoners of war under the British guard more than 4 months, & were then exchanged & honorably discharged from this tour of service.

The next tour of service, this deponent volunteered for a 3 months tour & that he is name was also drawn in a draft, in consequence of his Captain, having not been apprised of this deponent having turned out a volunteer he was considered a drafted soldier; & as such he joined the Army in Cumberland County North Carolina under Captain Henry Gaster, Colonel Philip Alston, Colonel Stone [?] (part of the service) & General Greene & served through the Eastern part of North Carolina & after having served at least 3 months in the Army as aforesaid & serving as a private, this deponent was discharged near Fayetteville North Carolina from this his last tour of service.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written before me.

S/ Jacob Gaster

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State of North Carolina Moore County: Gaster No. 2

On this 28th day of April 1847 personally appeared before me John Patterson, one of the acting magistrates in & for the County aforesaid, Jacob Gaster a resident of the County aforesaid & a United States pensioner, and after being first sworn in, in the form of law, doth on his oath, make the following statements. That in days of the Revolutionary war he was well acquainted with David Richardson late deceased of Moore County, & with his wife Sarah, now his widow who is applying for a Pension due her, on account of her husband the aforesaid David Richardson's Revolutionary service. That deponent volunteered in the state of North Carolina County of Cumberland in the year 1781 & served under Captain Daniel [could be David] Buie & that this deponent distinctly recollects that David Richardson as aforesaid did serve in company with said Jacob Gaster through out this tour, that they were commanded by the said Daniel Buie who was their Captain, & with him [several indecipherable/illegible words] Richardson were

¹ [Jacob Gaster S6871](#)

marched to Charleston South Carolina at which place they were taken prisoner by the enemy & kept as such a considerable length of time & after the aforesaid Gaster & Richardson was exchanged they were discharged after having served together over 4 months on this tour of service. The next Tour of service the deponent & David Richardson volunteered for a 3 months tour, to serve again in the North Carolina Militia & that they served under Captain Henry Gaster in the County of Cumberland North Carolina and after having served under Captain Gaster (viz.) the aforesaid Jacob Gaster & David Richardson at least 3 months was discharged from this tour of duty.

This deponent states upon his aforesaid oath: he served the above tours & them only, & that he is knowing to the fact, that the aforesaid David Richardson did serve more tours; & under other officers Vann did this deponent, that previous to the terms of the above parties being in the Army as above stated, this deponent was present & a witness, to seeing the aforesaid David Richardson under arms & serving in the Army. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year first above written before me.

S/ Jacob Gaster

S/ John Patterson, JP

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State of North Carolina Moore County: Gaster No. 1

On this 30th day of January 1846 Personally appeared before me William T. England one of the acting Magistrates in & for the County aforesaid Jacob Gaster, a resident Citizen of the State & County aforesaid & a United States Pensioner, & after being first sworn in due form of law doth on his oath make the following statements, that he is now fully 81 years old, & that he in the days of the Revolution volunteered himself a private soldier in the North Carolina line & as such served a militia soldier in the following manner. First he & David Richardson (whose wife Sarah is now applying for a Pension) turned out as volunteers for a 3 months tour and that they did serve together the aforesaid Jacob Gaster & David Richardson under Captain Daniel Buie & after joining the Army day with others were taken prisoners by the British (to wit) Tarleton & his men, & was taken to Wilmington North Carolina Hanover County & was kept Prisoners at the least 4 months (it being in 1781) & that the aforesaid deponent & David Richardson again volunteered their service, to serve a 3 month tour, & did serve, under Captain Henry Gaster in the North Carolina line of militia & that deponent & David Richardson did serve in the Army of the United States together, at least 3 months on that tour of service & was honorably discharged at Fayetteville North Carolina from this tour of service. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written before me.

S/ Jacob Gaster

S/ William Thomas England, JP

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State of North Carolina Moore County: On this 25th day of October 1845 personally appeared before me John Patterson one of the acting Magistrates in & for the County aforesaid James Monk² aged 88 years a United States Pensioner & after being sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statements, that in the days of the Revolution he was well acquainted with David Richardson of Cumberland County North Carolina & with his wife Sarah now his widow, who is now applying for a Pension due her on account of the Revolutionary

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services of her husband the aforesaid David Richardson late deceased of Moore County North Carolina. That he well recollects serving in the Army of the United States with the aforesaid David Richardson that he deponent served under Captain Carter and that David Richardson served & did act as Lieutenant under Captain Cox and that after having served together in the Army the aforesaid David Richardson a Lieutenant under Captain Cox and deponent a private under Captain Carter, and after having served the United States at least 9 months on the tour, the company under Captain Carter, being ordered to South Carolina, that the deponent did go with Captain Carter, leaving the aforesaid David Richardson with Captain Cox near the head of McClenons Creek [sic, McLendons Creek] Cumberland County that part now Moore County And after the war broke, the said David Richardson settled & lived a close neighbor to him the aforesaid James month in Moore County North Carolina, And that he was intimately acquainted with him David Richardson up to the time of his death and that he died in Moore County North Carolina in the year 1842 and that his widow Sarah Richardson is now living & is yet his widow.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year above written before me

S/ John Patterson, JP

S/ James Monk, X his mark