

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Gatlin (Gatten) W10047
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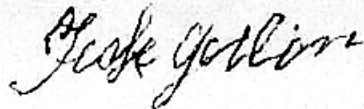
State of North Carolina, Randolph County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Session May Term 1818

Jesse Gatten appeared in open Court and made Oath that in August 1781, he volunteered as a Private in the Service of the United States in the Company of Captain William Lytle belonging to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Archibald Lytle of the North Carolina Line. That he volunteered for eighteen Months, and soon joined the Army commanded by General Greene [Nathanael Greene]. That he was Stationed on James Island or to the neighborhood thereof, when Lord Cornwallis was captured [October 19, 1781]; and in the Month of July 1782 a Furlough was granted to him to return home, but to hold himself in readiness to join the Army when required. That Peace having been made, he was never afterwards called upon, And his Regular Discharge was never granted to him. That he afterwards being in reduced Circumstances, sold his Furlough with the Certificate annexed to it of his having served twelve months, to a Speculator who was purchasing of Said Papers, and he knows not where it now is.

He further Swears that from his reduced Circumstances he needs the Assistance of his Country. He resides in the County of Randolph, North Carolina.

Subscribed & Sworn to and Open Court this 7th May 1818.

S/ Jesse Gatlin



S/ Leo Lance [?]

Sr. Presiding Justice S/ Jesse Harper, C. C. C.

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<i>Names & Rank.</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Date of Commission</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>Occurrences</i>
<i>10th Regiment Abraham Sheppard, Colonel.</i>				
<i>Cpl. Gatlin</i>	<i>St. Lytle's</i>	<i>26th Sept 1781</i>	<i>Private</i>	
<i>State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 26th Nov 1818.</i>				
<i>I hereby Certify that the above is a true Abstract from the Musterroll of the North Carolina Continental Line in the Revolutionary War</i>				
<i>Given under my hand the date above.</i>				
<i>W. Hill Secretary of State.</i>				

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State of North Carolina, Randolph County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions February Term A. D. 1821

On this 8th day of February Eighteen Hundred & Twenty one personally appeared in open court, being a Court of Record for the County & State aforesaid Jesse Gatlin aged Seventy Two years who being first duly Sworn According to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the Eighteenth of month Eighteen Hundred & Eighteen, & the first of May Eighteen Hundred & Twenty, that the said Jesse Gatlin enlisted for the Term of Six Months on the ___ State of North Carolina in the Company Commanded by Captain Murphey [sic, Hardy Murfree] in the Regiment Command by Colonel Howe [Robert Howe] in the line of the State of ~~Virginia~~ North Carolina or the Continental Establishment that he continued to Serve in the said corps until the ___ of March_____ when he was discharged from the said Service in Edenton in the State of North Carolina. That he enlisted for the Term of Eighteen Months on the _____ day of _____ 1780 or 1781 he cant recollect which in the State of North Carolina in the Company Commanded by Captain William Lightle [sic, William Lytle] in the Regiment Commanded by Archibald Lightle [sic, Archibald Lytle] under the Command of General Nathaniel Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental Establishment, that he continue to serve in the said Corps until the Thirty first day of August in the year Seventeen & Eighty Two, when he was discharged from the said Service in Hillsborough, State of North Carolina. That he was in the Battles of Guilford [March 15, 1781] as a Militia man and served with the Army under General Greene in South Carolina and that he has no other Evidence now in his power of his said Services except what is herein set forth.

And in pursuance of the Act of the first of May Eighteen Hundred & Twenty, I do solemnly swear that I was a Citizen of the United States on the Eighteenth of March Eighteen Hundred & Eighteen & 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 Provision of an 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," passed on the Eighteenth day of March Eighteen Hundred & Eighteen & 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 hereto annexed and by me Subscribed as follows.

One bed & furniture one pine chest & Table
Three Pewter Basons one dish one Churn two sitting chairs
Three knives & five fork one flax Wheel one cotton Wheel
One pair Cotton Cards two old barrels, one cut Reel
Two Bottles, one pot, one oven and lid, one small horse 12 years old
Two Cows & Calves one heifer, Three sheep, two Sows and pigs
Four small Shoat Hogs, one ax, one old Shovel plough-----\$60.00

I Jesse Gatlin am a farmer by occupation but by sickness affecting my limbs am altogether unable to earn my own living, I have in family Elizabeth Gatlin (my wife) aged Sixty Two years Who is unable to Contribute but very little to my support. Also Elizabeth Gatlin my Daughter- twenty two years old who is a cripple & unable to contribute either to her own or to my support. Those two mentioned are all I have in family.

S/ Jesse Gatlin



Sworn to & declared on the 8th day of February 1821

I Jesse Harper Clerk of the Court of Pleas quarter sessions for the County of Randolph & State of North Carolina do hereby certify that the foregoing oath & the Schedule thereto annexed are Truly Copied from the Records of said Court, & I do further Certify that it is the opinion of said Court that the Total amount in value of the Property Exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is Sixty Dollars & no more.

In testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed the seal of said Court on this Eighth day of February Eighteen Hundred & Twenty one.

S/ Jesse Harper, C.C.C.

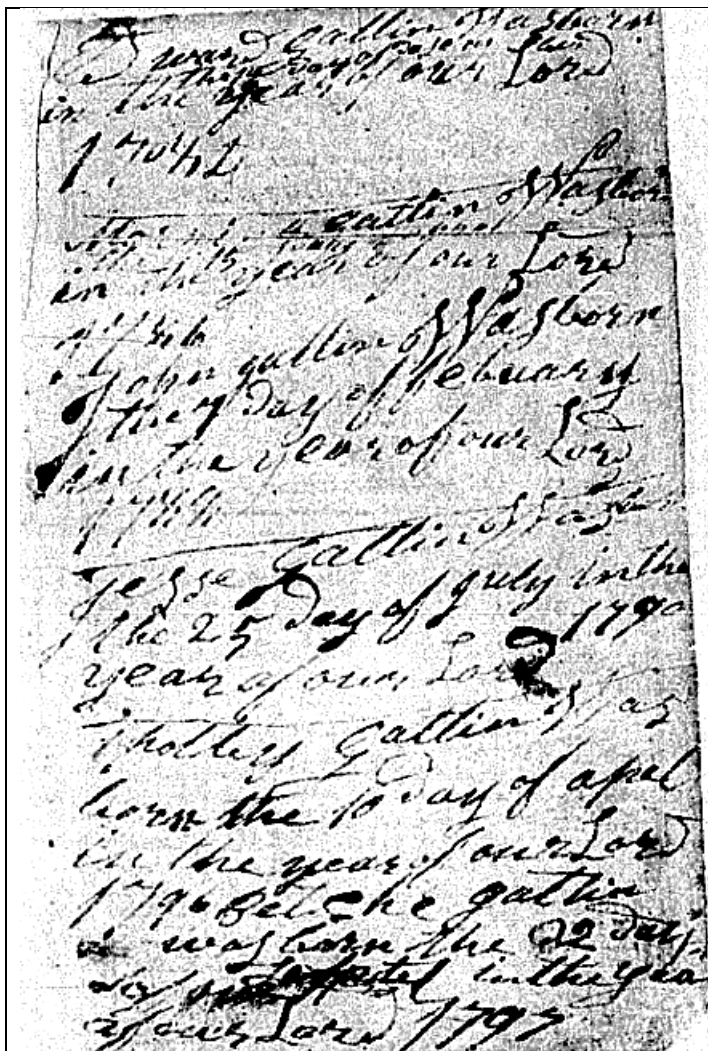
[pp 23-25: another application made under the 1820 act, this one dated August 5, 1822 and substantially conforms to the one made in 1821 transcribed above.]

[p 13: On May 20, 1839 in Randolph County North Carolina, Elizabeth Gatlin, aged about 80 a resident of said County made application for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Jesse Gatlin, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in the early part of the revolutionary war but that neither she nor her husband could write and they have no record of the date of their marriage but she remembers that her son James Gatlin was born before the end of the War and was born on the 25th of June 1781 as she is informed & appears by an old record in her possession; that she was married in a part of North Carolina then called Bute County; and that she remains a widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 15: On May 20, 1839 in Randolph County North Carolina Edward Gatlin gave testimony that he is the son of Jesse and Elizabeth Gatlin; that he is their 5th child and was born as the old records show December 17, 1784; that he, the affiant, made a record of the family in his own handwriting some 30 years ago at the direction of his father and mother and he has no doubt that they record is correct.

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[p 18: The following appears to be the record referred to by the Edward Gatlin above:



Edward Gatlin Was born
the 17 Day of Desember
in the year of our Lord
1784

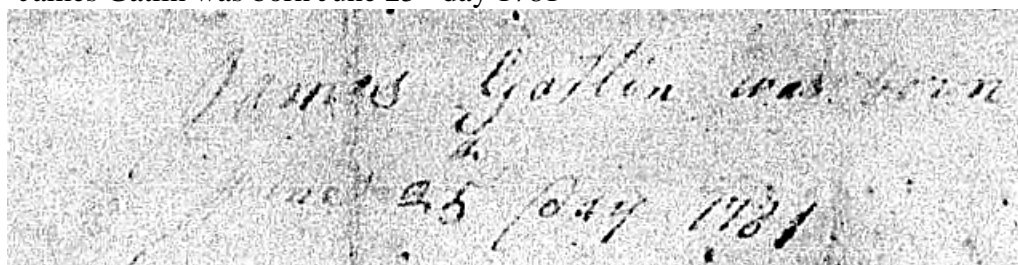
Morning Gatlin Was born
15 Day of Apr.
in the year of our Lord
1786

John Gatlin Was born
the 7 Day of february
in the year of our Lord
1789

Jesse Gatlin Was born
the 25 day of July in the
year of our Lord 1790

Polley Gatlin Was
born the 10 day of Apel
in the year of our Lord
1796 Betche Gatlin
was born the 22 day
[indecipherable] in the year
of our Lord 1797

[p 3: what appears to be a portion of a family record which reads as follows:
"James Gatlin was born June 25th day 1781"



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 7th, 1818 for service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing May 6, 1837, the date of his death.]