

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Minzes (Minns) W2148 Margaret Minzes f2files31/24/NC

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[p 3, file 1]

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office 2nd June 1829

Sir

I do not find the name of Joseph Minus on the muster rolls of the Army of the revolution, yet I am of opinion he served, as Edward Yarborough was a Capt. in said Army and one who stood very high in the estimation of those who knew him. The reason why Joseph Minus's name does not appear on the rolls (I think) is he was stationed at one place.

Yours respectfully,

S/ Wm Hill

James L. Edwards, Esqr.

Chief Clk Pension Office US

[p 5, file 1]

State of Kentucky Wayne County: On the 22nd day of march 1830 personally appeared in open Court Joseph Mings or Mintzes who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Statement in addition to the Statement heretofore made by him at the County Court held for the said County on the 23rd day of March 1829 first he states that he does not know the name of the Col. of the Regiment to which he belonged by reason that he was never with said Regiment but kept and retained at the laboratory in Salisbury North Carolina and at all times under the command of Capt. Edward Yarborough and was by him discharged at said place which discharge (now as he is informed in Washington City) he believes States the Regiment to which he belonged to be the 3rd Regiment he states that the reason of his not making application for the pension at an earlier period is that he was Ignorant of the mode of applying and the Lawyers to whom he made Application to prepare his papers &c asked such an unreasonable price as discouraged him from making application he states that the following is a true account of the property owned by him on the 18th of March 1818 and the changes which have taken place in said property by sale or otherwise, Since that time: Viz: 50 acres of third rate land sold to John Vestal sometime in the year 1822 received in return for 2 horse beasts & two caves [sic, calves?] and 300 bushels of corn paid at several different periods he owned three head of horse beasts two of which died and the other went blind 12 or 13 head of cattle four cows he gave to his four daughters who left him about that time the rest have since died or been killed before be a tolerable stock of hogs & a few she he lost a good many of the hogs & killed some of the she and further he saith not. Sworn to in open court the day and date first above written.

S/ Joseph Mings [sic]

[p 30, file 1: is an application for a transfer dated May 31st, 1834 from Hamilton County, Illinois to which he had recently removed from Kentucky. This document is clearly signed "Joseph Minzes"]

[p 6, file 2: On September 4, 1849, in Saline County Illinois, Margaret Minns, 84, filed for a widows pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of Joseph Minns or Minzes who was a pensioner at the rate of \$96 per annum for his services in the revolution; that she married him about November 1794 in Roan [sic, Rowan] County North Carolina; that her name prior to her marriage was Margaret [illegible names, looks like "Kornatser"]¹; that her husband died on the 14th of April 1849; and that she remains his widow. "She further states that the attached Family record of Joseph Minns from his son James Minns born on the 22nd of April 1796 to Jacob Minns all the legitimate children of herself and the above mentioned Joseph Minnes and the said family record was written by a Mr. Lane [?] soon after the birth of Jacob Minnes."]
Joseph Minigs [sic] was born April the 9th AD 1755 And was married October 26, AD 1779 his wife died December the 27th AD 1787

Margaret Mings daughter of Joseph Mings was born September the 8th AD 1781

Ann Ming born December the 18th AD 1783

Aaron Mings was born the 15th July AD 1785

Joseph Mings Junir was born March the 23rd AD 1787

James Mings was born April the 22nd AD 1796 and died on the night of the 28th of July AD 1807

Mary Mings was born October the 28th AD 1797

Elizabeth Mings was born May the 26th AD 1800

Sarah Mings was born September the 18th AD 1801

Daniel Mings was born February the 11th AD 1803

William Mings was born December the 16th AD 1804

George Mings was born July the 1 6th AD 1806

Martha Mings born December the 5th AD 1807

Susannah Mings was born November the 22nd AD 1809

Jacob Mings was born March the 10th AD 1811

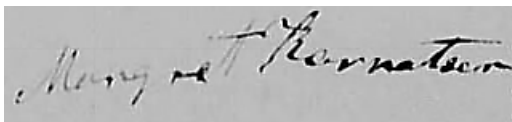
[p 8: copy of the marriage license bond posted in Rowan County North Carolina by Joseph Mins & Peter Brown, bondsmen, to secure the marriage of Joseph Mins to Margaret Knatzer of the County aforesaid; said bond being dated November 18, 1794]

[p 13, file 2]

State of Kentucky Wayne County: March Court 1829

The Pension Papers of Joseph Minns or Minzes were produced in Court and proof made as the law directs by Ransom Vanwinkle and Harman Wynn, which is ordered to be spread in full upon the Record which is in the following words and figures to wit

State of Kentucky Wayne County: On the 23rd day of March 1829 personally appeared in open


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Court Joseph Minns or Minzes aged about 74 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 & 1st of May 1820 that he the said Minns or Minzes enlisted for the period of 18 months in the Summer of 1781 in Salisbury in the State of North Carolina under Capt. Edward Yarborough of the 3rd Regiment of the North Carolina line on Continental establishment, he knows not the name of the Col. commanding the said Regiment by reason that he was never with the Regiment but was kept and retained at the Laboratory at said place and at all times under the command of the said Capt. Edward Yarborough and was discharged by him at said place and has the discharge now by him which is here with sent, that he is by profession and Occupation a Laborer that he has at this time no one to help take care of him or provide for him, and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever 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 and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and 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

Articles	Dollars	cts
Four head of cattle	\$18.00	
A Title bond for fifty acres land	100.00	
Cash in hand		.50
Debts owing no exceeding		<u>15.00</u>
Debts owing by me \$16 or \$17	\$133.50	

Sworn to and declared on the day before named.

S/ Joseph Minzes

[p 24, file 2]

"I do Certify that Joseph Minns has Served Eighteen mounths in the N. Carolina Continental Line and the said Minns is Hereby Discharged from the Service—

Given under my Hand in Salisbury

28th October 1782

S/ E. Yarbrough, Captn.
3rd N. Carolina Regt.

To Whom it may
Concern"

