

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Buckley W339

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State of Tennessee }                      County Court    October Sessions 1832  
Weakley County    }

On this day being the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court it being a Court of record having a Clerk James Buckley a resident Citizen of the aforesaid County & State aged seventy years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832 That he was born in the County of Loudon [sic: Loudoun] State of Virginia in the year 1763 sometime in the month of February of that year the particular day of the month he does not now recollect having now no record of his age. He states that about the first of August 1780 he volunteered in the state of Virginia in the County of Pittsylvania he was called into service to guard the deserters under Capt Lumpkins this applicant was appointed Sergeant of the Guard about the Last of September following he was discharged from this service & received from Capt Lumpkins a discharge in writing the exact purport of which he does not now recollect & which he has lost. he was in this last service engaged two months & it was considered a full tour.

Sometime in the year 1781 in the month of January I again volunteered under Capt. John Buckley in the County of Pittsylvania We rendezvoused at Joseph Roberts on sinking river and were ordered to go Home & fix[?] & meet next day at Peytonsburch [sic: Peytonsburg] in Pittsylvania County He states that he joined his Company according to orders at Peytonsburch We had got news that Cornwallace had got to Dan River [sic: Cornwallis, 14 Feb] on his way through Virginia and we volunteered to keep him back. from Peytonsburch we marched to Halifax old Courthouse in Virginia & from thence we marched to Dan River, at Halifax old Courthouse we joined the Militia from the Lower parts of Virginia under the command of Generals Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] & [Robert] Lawson. When we got to Dan River we found that the British had marched back into North Carolina We found their fires burning at the Camp they had left. We then pursued their trail to Surry County North Carolina from Surry we marched to the high rock ford on Haw River thence we marched to reedy fork on haw river. We marched & counter marched till we fell in with General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene]. We remained in the army of General Green till he was reinforced by the arrival of drafted Militia from Virginia we were then discharged in the month of March having performed a three months tour at this time. his brother took his discharge which he has never seen since & cannot know any thing of it as his brother is long since dead. In July 1781 he again volunteered in Pittsylvania County under Capt. John Wynn [John Winn] to guard prisoners to the barracks near Winchester in Virginia. he served in this service till the tour was ended & got a discharge from Capt Wynn which he also gave to his Brother & has not seen it since & cannot now obtain it believing it to have been long since lost or destroyed in this tour he was in actual service upwards of two months. Thus ended his service having performed three three months tours.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.                      [signed] Jas. Buckley

State of Tennessee }                      April 8<sup>th</sup> 1833.  
Weakley County    }

Amended Declaration of James Buckley made for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832

He states that he has no Documentary evidence by which he can prove his services, and knows of no living witness by which he can prove them, all the discharges which he obtained having been long since destroyed and all persons whom he recollects in the service as far as he has been able to learn

having long since deceased, so that it is impossible to procure any such proof.

[signed] James Buckley

NOTE: On 27 Sep 1850 Mary Buckley, 77, applied for a pension stating that she married James Buckley on 4 Sep 1788, and he died 20 Nov 1835. A document in the file states that Mary Buckley died on or near 2 Oct 1850 leaving the following children: J. W. Buckley, W. W. Buckley, Colman Buckley, Susan Webb, Ann Howard, and Louisa Killebrew. Thomas Killebrew was named administrator of her estate.