

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Draper W3786

Obedience Draper

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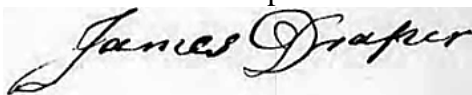
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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an act for the relief of certain surviving officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th day of May 1828 I James Draper of the County of Warren in the State of Georgia do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the term of three years, and continued in service until its termination; at which period I was a private in Captain Robert Lyle's Company in the 3rd South Carolina Regiment; and that his discharge has been lost; And I further declare that I was not on the 15th of March 1828, on the pension list of the United States. Sworn to and Subscribed before me May 21st 1829.

S/ fielding W. Arnold, JP

S/ James Draper



[Josiah Eckles and Phillip Jackson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Virginia, Nottaway County To wit

This day Joshua Draper of the said State and County came before me a Justice of the Peace for the said County of Nottaway, and made Oath, that his Brother James Draper then a Citizen of the County of Amelia and State of Virginia, but now living in Warren County in the State of Georgia, did during the revolutionary War with England, enlist as a regular Soldier for the term of three years, and thinks he was enlisted by a certain Robert Lyell [sic] – but knows he went in the Service, and remained from home until the expiration of three years, which took place before the termination of the War. Given under my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 1829

S/ Samuel Morgan

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State of Georgia of Warren County: On this third day of September personally appeared in open Court this the Inferior Courts of said County, now sitting, (it being a Court of record) James Draper a resident of said State and County, aged 72 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 June 7, 1832.

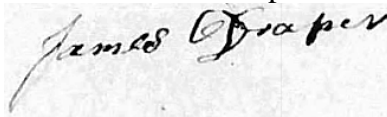
That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and

served as herein stated.

I enlisted the 10th of February 1777, in Virginia, under Captain Robert Lyol [sic, Robert Lyle], in the 3rd South Carolina Regiment by Colonel William Thomson; he Lieutenant Colonel Mason [James Mayson], and the Major \_\_ Wise [Samuel Wise]. I joined the Army near Eutaw Springs before General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] took command of the southern Army. The Captains in the Regiment were Lyol, Felix & Joseph Warley, Field Farrar, Smith & Goodwin, General Moultrie [William Moultrie] was our Brigadier. I further recollect that Gaskins was my Lieutenant, received a regular discharge the 10th of February 1780, and delivered it to Lieutenant Hardaway, of Captain Lyols' company, who died shortly afterwards. Our encampment was near Doctor Hord's plantation. I was sent with a detachment to Ninety Six to guard prisoners, from thence to our former encampment & we then marched to Charleston, from Charleston to Midway in Georgia, then back to Savannah; from which place the British drove us. We then crossed Savannah River to Purrysburg in South Carolina, from thence to Black Swamp -- the time we remained there, I do not recollect; from thence we marched to Galphin's Mill or Silver Bluff, were then sent on again with the baggage to Charleston; from thence we marched to Sheldon's Hill, near Stono [River]; the spring following I was discharged, and went back to the State of Virginia, where I served 2 tours of duty in the Militia. I enlisted for 3 years and was discharged honorably.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State:  
Sworn to, & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ James Draper

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Draper". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.

Attest

S/ Thomas Gibson, Clerk

[James Granade, a clergyman, and Starling Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 11: On February 3, 1845 in Warren County Georgia, Obedience Draper, 88, made application for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of James Draper, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him on September 14, 1781; that he died August 14 1843; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Facts in file: The widow's name prior to her marriage to the veteran was Obedience Hudson or Hutson; there is no family data in this file.]

[The veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 3 years in the South Carolina Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]