

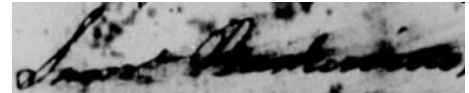
Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Jonas Morgan W7480                      Susannah Morgan                      VA  
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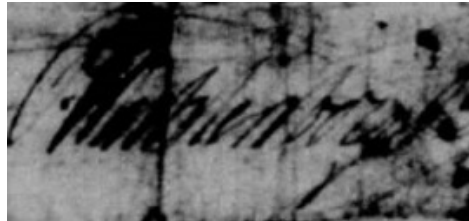
[A letter in the file states that the first three items below were found in a trunk among old papers at the time Susannah Morgan's pension application was being prepared. The first is an informal petition apparently written by Anne Morgan, commonly called Susannah Morgan. The second item is a furlough. The third item is a fragment of a furlough signed by Gen. Peter Muhlenberg (BLWt1495-850) at Winchester Barracks.]

August the 26 1783 I beleive my husband Jonas morgan was inlisted in 1781 under Mr edwing young [see endnote] & I anne morgan his wife & five Children has had no releaf – nitheir have aplied to the Court till now therefore I aplie now to the worshipfull Court to Se what they will be please to allow me I humbly pray  
anne morgan

Furlow Granted Jonas Morgan Ten Days  
Sam'l Baskerville L't. 1<sup>st</sup> V Reg't [Samuel Baskerville S45238]  
3<sup>d</sup> May 1783



Winchester  
The bearer hereof Jonas  
Soldier has leave of Absence  
Twelve days  
By Gen'l  
Lengthened to the first  
[ink blot] April 1783  
P. Muhlenberg BG



State of Virginia  
Warren County Sct

On this 5<sup>th</sup> day January 1837 personally appeared before me Abner Smith a Justice of the peace in and for the county of Warren in the State of Virginia, Susannah Morgan, a Resident of Warren County in the State of Virginia aged one hundred and two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4<sup>th</sup> 1836: that she is the Widow of Jonas Morgan, who enlisted in the County of Shenandoah Virginia, as a private to serve for, and during the Revolutionary War, in the Va. Regiment and served till the end of said War. She further declares that her maiden name was Susannah Harden, and that she was married to the said Jonas Morgan on the day of [blank] in the year [blank] and that her said marriage was had and solemnised before her said husband Jonas Morgan enlisted as aforesaid in the War aforesaid and before the expiration of the last period of service of the s'd Jonas Morgan in the War of the Revolution aforesaid, that her husband the said Jonas Morgan died on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year [blank] and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed      Susannah herXmark Morgan ~~Ann~~ her mark ~~Morgan~~

[5 Jan 1837] The deposition of Robert Russell aged Eighty years, Testifies that he was well acquainted with Jonas Morgan and Susannah Harden then of the county called Dunmore, since [1778] called Shenandoah, in Virginia, that the said Jonas Morgan and Susannah Harden, now Susannah Morgan were married before the commencement of the Revolutionary War and that the said marriage took place in the year seventeen hundred and seventy four as he verily believes, that during the Revolutionary War, the said Jonas Morgan enlisted in one of the Virginia Regiments, for the Term of three years, or during the War of the Revolution not certain which Term, and that the said Jonas Morgan served till the breaking up or close of said War, that the said Jonas Morgan enlisted previous to the first Saturday in May 1781, and this affiant verily believes, the said Morgan served upwards of two years in the War of the Revolution aforesaid and that said marriage took place previous to, and before the last period of service of the said Jonas Morgan, in the War aforesaid and expired that the said Jonas Morgan died in, or about the year one Thousand Eight hundred and fifteen, leaving the said Susannah Morgan his Widow, and that the said Susannah Morgan has never married since the death of her husband the said Jonas Morgan, but remains his Widow, this affiant believes the said Susannah Morgan to be upwards of eighty Seven years, of age, Susannah Morgan cannot be so old as stated in her declaration hereto annexed. Affiant knew her when a young woman; having conversed with her, finds that she has not a certain knowledge of her age.

[signed] Robert Russel

[8 Mar 1837] The deposition of Moses Henry [S5508] aged eighty years testifies that he was well acquainted with Jonas Morgan, of the County of Dunmore since called Shenandoah County in the State of Virginia that the said Jonas Morgan enlisted in one of the Virginia Regiments for the term of three years, or during the war of the revolution. Affiant declares that he has but little education, and that he never knew anything about figures or dates, but that he well knows that it was between two and three years from the time the said Jonas Morgan enlisted untill he was discharged, and that he was not discharged until the close of the war, affiant further declares that Jonas Morgan was married to Susannah Harden before the commencement of the revolutionary war, and at the time the said Jonas Morgan enlisted he left his wife the said Susannah with three or four Children, affiant lived immediately in the neighborhood at the time of the enlistment of the said Jonas Morgan, also at the time of his return from the army till the death of the said Jonas Morgan, which happened about twenty years since. affiant declares that the said said Jonas Morgan and Susannah Harden now Susannah Morgan, were married previous to the expiration of the last period of service of the said Jonas Morgan her husband in the war aforesaid, and that the said Susannah Morgan has never married since the death of her husband, the said Jonas Morgan as aforesaid, but now remains his widow, affiant believes that said Susanna Morgan is between ninety and one hundred years of age.

Moses hisXmark Henry

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

Gentlemen Please to settle my Discharge with Mr Thomas Buck in my behalf & grant him a Certificate for what Bal[ance] is due me [undeciphered] & also my Land [undeciphered]. Gentlemen [undeciphered] To the Auditors of Publick Accompts at Richmond.

Jonas Morgan  
15<sup>th</sup> June 1786

Shannandoah County to Wit.

I do hereby certify that [undeciphered] Acknowledged the above order before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1786.

[illegible] Buck

Copy/ [illegible]

Gentlemen Please to Settle the within mention'd discharge with Mr Philip Gatewood, in my behalf & you'l much/ Oblige Gentlemen your/ H'ble Ser't

Thomas Buck

I do hereby Certify that Jonas Morgan Private of the 5<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment enlisted the 20<sup>th</sup> January 1781 for the war, and Continued in service till the final Discharge of the Army in 1783.

Given under my hand this 5<sup>th</sup> April 1787.

James Wood [BLWt2419-500] Late B. G.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James Wood". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Cumberland Old Courthouse lists Jonas Morgan/ age 37/ height 5' 11"/ brown hair/ grey eyes/ dark complexion/ farmer/ residing in Shenandoah County/ enlisted in Culpeper County for the duration of the war. Sized on 17 Feb 1783.

Anne Morgan's informal petition suggests that she believed that Edwin Young was an officer under whom Jonas Morgan served. From a list of soldiers enlisted in Shenandoah County on 19 March 1781, however, it appears that Edwin Young was actually a soldier who had enlisted to serve for the duration of the war but procured "Jonah Morgan" as a substitute. The document, entitled "A Copy of the List of Men Drafted and Listed March 19<sup>th</sup> 1781 agreeable to an act of Assembly for the County of Shannandoah &c," is in the Library of Virginia, and a copy was kindly provided by the independent historian, James L. Lynch.