

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Jackson W7877

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Virginia Bedford County toWitt,

This day William Jackson a free man of colour aged about sixty five or sixty six appeared in the Court of the County aforesaid at their October term 1825 the same being a Court of record and made oath that he enlisted as a regular Soldier in the Revolutionary War in the month of April or May in the year 1780 or 1781 at Amherst Court house Virginia under Colo. Hugh Rose. that he enlisted for during the war and served near three years and until the close of the War. That he was attached to the first Va. regiment on Continental establishment, under Colo. [Thomas] Posey and under Colo. Feebecker [sic: Christian Febiger] and under Gen'l. Aug't Muhlenburg [sic: John Peter Gabriel Muhlenberg]. that he was in no particular battle but was in the Army as a private soldier during his enlistment, and was in the Army at Charleston at Cumberland old Court-house in Va and from thence marched to Winchester in Va. and was there honourably discharged after the close of the War. That Charles Claymore[?] Deceased late of Bedford County in Va had his discharge and carried it to Richmond in Va some time after the Close of the War to draw his pay and never returned it. That he was a Waiter for a few weeks during his enlistment for Capt. Johnston [possibly John Boswell Johnston] and Lieut. Wm. Trabue [William Trabue] and to Adjut. Wm. Eskridge [Adjutant Lt. William Eskridge, pension application W4192]. That he was on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 a resident Citizen of Bedford County Va. and has been a resident citizen of said County ever since the revolutionary War. That he has not since the passage of the act of Congress of 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 or of 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 providing for the Officers & soldiers of the Revolutionary War, sold, aleined, given away or otherwise disposed of in any manner any property, debts, or securityships or contracts in order to bring himself within the provision of either of the said acts of Congress. That he hereby relinquishes all claim to any pension except those provided by the acts of Congress aforesaid. That he made his first declaration in the Court of this County under the acts aforesaid for the purpose of becoming a pensioner in the month of November 1822 to the best of his recollection which was shortly after he first heard of the act of Congress allowing pensions to soldiers of the Revolutionary War. that since that time he has depended on Wm Cook of Liberty Bedford County Va to attend to his claim for him. That I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. That he has a wife a woman of colour living with him aged about aged about seventy four or five years and a niece of his said wife aged about thirty years who has four small children. That he is now and has been for many years afflicted so as to disable him in a great degree from bodily labour, he believes from an attempt made years ago to poison him by a blackman; that Doct'r George Cabell late of Lynchburg who attended him as a physician for a length of time was of that opinion. That such are his reduced circumstances in life that he needs the assistance of his Country for support.

That he has one horse worth.....	\$20.00
Sixteen hogs including all kinds some pigs, shoat & others worth perhaps. ....	30.00
Two plows, two axes, two hoes [illegible word] worth perhaps. ....	8.00
Two ovens, two pots, one skillet. ....	5.00
six common chairs, one common table. ....	4.00
Two water tubs and two pales.....	1.00
A small crop corn, not yet gathered perhaps 15 barrels. ....	25.00
some tobacco which I hired the cultivation of and in the hiring for same after paying may be worth. ....	30.00

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NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse lists the following: William Jackson/ age 21/ height 5' 4<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" / black hair/ black eyes/ black complexion/ planter/ born in Albemarle County/ residing in Amherst County where he enlisted on 18 May 1781 for the duration of the war.

On 27 Feb 1839 Nicy Jackson, 77, applied for a pension stating that she married Will Jackson in the summer of 1783 or 1784, and he died 10 April 1830.