

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Keyser W7952

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Virginia towit

Harrison County towit

On this 20th day of May 1818 before me Dabney Carr one of the [two or three illegible words] for the s'd State Personally appeared

Jacob Kayser aged sixty two years resident of Harrison County Virginia who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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; that he the said Jacob Kyser on the 13th of Feby 1779 enlisted in Frederick town in the State of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain Baltzer [probably Charles Baltzel] of the German Battallion which was commanded by Col [Ludowick] Weltner that he continued to serve in said corps or in the service of the United States untill the month of February 1782 when he was discharged from service in pon pon State of South Carolina [sic: Ponpon in Colleton County near Jacksonboro] that he was in several Battles between Wyoming & Niagara in the State of Pensylvania Served in the Southern Army under General Guest [sic: Mordecai Gist] was at the Capture of Cornwallis at Yorktown in Virginia [19 Oct 1781] that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Auditor's Office, Annapolis, April 30th 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that Jacob Keyser enlisted as a Sergeant in the German Maryland Regiment, on the Thirteenth day of Feby 1779 and was discharged on the Aug't. 1780. Thos. Karney Aud. S. M.

Virginia SS. At a Court held for the County of Harrison on the 21st day of June 1819 & 43^d year of the Commonwealth —

Present Samuel Pellron, Joseph Johnson, Jedediah Waldo, Samuel Washington, William A. Rogers, Isaac T. Tyson, Alex. Britton, William Campbell, Daniel Kincehloe, Caleb Boggess, Matthias Winters, Joseph Chevront, Benjamin J. Brice and Notley Shettlesworth Gentlemen Justices Before the Court aforesaid Personally appeared Jacob Keyser and being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provission of the late act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval service of the united states n the revolutionary war"

That he the said Jacob Keyser enlisted on the 15th February 1779 in Frederick Town in the state of Maryland in the Company commanded by Captain Baltzer of the German Battallien which was commanded by Colonel Weltner, that the Battallien was afterwards attached to General Guest's Brigade of the Maryland line and formed the 2^d. Regiment commanded by Colonel Adams. he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the united states until the month of February 1782 when he was discharged from service in Pon pon state of South Carolina that he was in several Battles between Wyoming and Niagara in the state of Pennsylvania, he afterwards served in the Southern army under General Guest was at the Capture of Cornwallis at York Town in Virginia that he is in Reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, And that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services —

Virginia to wit. At a court held for the County of Harrison on the 22^d day of June 1820 (being a court of record established by an act of the General assembly of this Commonwealth) Personally appeared before the Court aforesaid Jacob Keyser aged 64 years resident of Harrison County Virginia who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows - that he enlisted february 15th 1779 in the German Battallion Col Weltner Capt. Baltzor's Company Guests Brigade Maryland line, his pension

certificate in No. 12584 [written above original 8279] - Original Declaration made May 20th 1818; & he (said Jacob) also took the following oath Viz. "I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred & eighteen 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 provisions 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 one thousand eight hundred & eighteen, 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. Viz I own 70 acres of land, 15 in cultivation one horse, two Cows, one Calf, 6 head of sheep 9 shoats one year old & 9 pigs my household furniture and farming utensels are worth \$30. I have due me \$18, & owe \$152.

Jacob Keyser

& he the said Jacob also declares as followeth. Viz I am by occupation a Hatter but am afflicted with Hernia which renders me incapable of labor my wife is 56 years of age; my son Joseph 14 years - Sally Davis an orphan Child 8 years of age constitute my family residing with me 3 in family unable to support themselves

Jacob Keyser

NOTE: On 21 Jan 1839 Permelia Keyser, 74, applied for a pension stating that she married Jacob Keyser in Oct 1785, and he died 6 Feb 1834. In the file is a copy of a bond signed in Loudoun County VA on 11 Oct 1785 by Jacob Keyser and Isaac Lanoire[?] for the marriage of Keyser to Permelia Johnston, "spinster of Shelburne Parish." Other documents stated that Pamela Keyser died 5 Nov 1844, and that there had been eight children, including Hestor Rosier; George; Pamela; Elizabeth; Jonas; and Joseph, who moved to Louisiana.