

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Josiah (Josias) Jackson W9074 Sarah Jackson f37NC  
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State of Tennessee, County of Henry

On this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court now sitting Josiah Jackson a resident of the County of Henry and State of Tennessee, aged Sixty Seven 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<sup>th</sup>, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. I entered the service of the United States in September, I think in the year 1776, as a volunteer under Samuel Barrow Captain, Seawell [Benjamin Seawell] Colonel, Enloe [John Enloe] Major General George Washington I volunteered in Martinsburg Pitt County North Carolina from there we marched to Kingston [sic, Kinston] in North Carolina from there we marched to Ramsey's Mill on Deep River from there we marched to Salisbury North Carolina – between Ramsey's Mill and Salisbury we took and secured a considerable number of Tories – from there we marched to Charlotte, North Carolina where a British Army came up with us said to be commanded by Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] who had a superior force and we retreated before it to the Shallow Ford of the Adkin River [sic, Yadkin River] where we joined the Army of General Washington, the General was not there himself – I volunteered for three months, but continued with the Army six months – at the Shallow Ford of the Yadkin River I was discharged by Captain Barrow.

I again volunteered for three months in April or May, I think, in the year 1777 in Martinsburg in Pitt County North Carolina under Captain Samuel Barrow, we set off to march to Kinston North Carolina; to join the Army; but before reaching that point we met again with Tarleton, who again had a force superior, and we were again forced to retreat – we were in no engagement – we returned home and were dismissed without receiving any discharge, expecting to be again called upon; but we were not again called out – I have no documentary testimony and know of no person whose testimony I can procure who can testify as to my service.

1<sup>st</sup> When and in what year were you born?

I was born and raised in Pitt County North Carolina in March 1765.

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

In moving from North Carolina I lost the Bible in which my age is recorded – I have no record of my age --

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

When called into the service I was living in Pitt County North Carolina – after the Revolutionary war I continued in Pitt County North Carolina until a new County was made and I fell into Bluford County [Beaufort County?] -- from there I moved to Williamson County

Tennessee where I lived 13 years – from there I moved to Henry County Tennessee where I have lived three years and now lives in Henry County Tennessee

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

I volunteered on each occasion – I never substituted --

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Captain Barrow, Colonel Seawell, Major Enloe, General George Washington and Colonel Washington [William Washington] of the Cavalry are all the officers I recollect at present the detail of services I have already given.

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

For my first term of service I received a discharge signed by Captain Barrow – the 2<sup>nd</sup> time I was verbally dismissed – my discharge is lost --

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

For character for veracity &c I refer to George Crider & William R. Lewis

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court.

S/ B. C. Brown, D Clk.

S/ Josias Jackson, X his mark

[George Crider & William R. Lewis gave these standards supporting affidavit.]

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State of Tennessee, Henry County

Personally appeared before me John L. Hagler – a Justice of the peace for said County – Josiah Jackson – who being duly sworn deposed and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades-- I volunteered for three months and served six months under Captain Samuel Barrow, Major Enlow, & Colonel Sewell. I again volunteered as a private under Captain Samuel Barrow and served three months – the precise time I cannot state with more precision than I have set forth in my declaration I here with saying that you the certificate of John L. Simms a minister of the Gospel. I served as a private during each Tour.

Sworn to before me sixth day of May 1833

S/ Josiah Jackson, X his mark

S/ John L. Hagler

[John L Sims, a clergyman, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 5: On February 19, 1849 in Calloway County Kentucky, Sarah Jackson, aged 85, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Josiah Jackson, a revolutionary war pensioner on the rolls of Tennessee in Henry County; that she married him in January 1782; that they were married by Esqr. Kays in Buefort County [sic, Beaufort County, North Carolina]; that her name prior to her marriage was Sarah Lee; that she was married by license; that her husband died April 14, 1838; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 21: On July 13, 1849 in Calloway County Kentucky, Wiley Jones gave testimony that he became acquainted with Josiah and Sarah Jackson in 1824; that at that time Josiah and Sarah were living together as man and wife and had several children as many as 4 living the oldest at that time being at least 35 years of age and their youngest child was about 18 years old when the affiant became acquainted with them; that the affiant's oldest son (not named) married the youngest child of the veteran and his wife in March 1829.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wiley Jones". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. The first name "Wiley" is written in a large, flowing script, and "Jones" is written in a slightly smaller, more compact script. The signature is positioned above a closing bracket.]

[p 22: On July 13, 1849 in Calloway County Kentucky, Jane Woodall gave testimony that some 34 or 35 years ago she became acquainted with Josiah and Sarah Jackson; that it was the year the affiant's father moved from North Carolina to Davidson County in Tennessee; that Josiah and Sarah lived together as husband and wife within half a mile of the affiant's family; that William Jackson, the 2<sup>nd</sup> son of Josiah and Sarah was at least 30 years old at that time and had a wife and 3 children the oldest of which was at least 10 years old; that William went into the Army with General Jackson [Andrew Jackson] to New Orleans and never returned. That the Jackson's removed from Davidson County to Williamson County and then to Henry County Tennessee. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]