

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Russell X692

f5VA

Transcribed by Will Graves

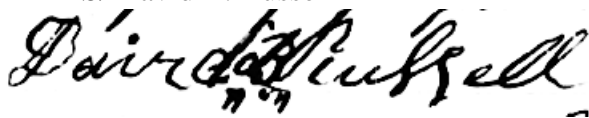
8/15/12

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Illinois Saline County: SS

Personally came before the undersigned James W Russell one of the acting Justices of the peace within and for the County & State aforesaid David B Russell a well-known and reputable Citizen of said County and after being duly qualified according to law deposeth and says that he understands from some of the former acts of the Congress of the United States of America that Revolutioners [sic] who was engaged in the War of 1776 as it is Commonly called against Great Britain is Entitled to a pension for their services in said war or the Soldier if dead the legal heirs of his Body would be entitled to said pension from the passage of the act until the death of the Soldier and if so I will give you a statement of facts as I have them from my Father who as he says was a Revolutionary Soldier in the Revolutionary War of 1776 as is commonly called. My father James Russell listed [enlisted] in the Service under Captain Walton of Virginia, Virginia Militia under command of Colonel Wofferd he thinks he does not recollect where he was mustered into the service nor where he was discharged from duty he Charles Russell his father served another Tower [tour] of Duty under Captain Grant of South Carolina as Orderly Sargeant in said Company and he thinks the company was Militia under Command of General Williamson, he does not recollect hearing him say where he was mustered into service nor where he was discharged nor how long he served at either of said Towers but the enlistment the first Tower under Captain Walton of Virginia was for one year the last enlistment under Captain Grant of South Carolina he does not recollect what length of time it was for. He does not Recollect the precise Date of either of said enlistments but that Said Services was rendered in the Revolution War of 1776 as it is called. James Russell my father was a Native of Virginia Charlotte County when the first services was rendered the Date of his birth appears from the family Records as May the 20th A.D. 1748 and the Date of his death was the 24th of August A.D. 1844. He James Russell my father died at my Residence in Saline County Illinois my father had resided with me twenty-five years before his death he died without any will there is but to heirs of the Body of James Russell to, (viz.), myself David B Russell & Mary Russell now Mary Martin and I make this affidavit as well for the said Mary Martin as for myself and if we are entitled to any pension under the law we want it if not we are content and your affiant further saith not.

S/ David B. Russell



[Attested December 1, 1857]