

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Lewis Jenkins R5572

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State of Georgia, Washington County

On this 22nd day of July personally appeared in Open Court before the Judges of the Inferior Court Lewis Jenkins a resident of the County and the State aforesaid aged 73 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

I entered the service in 1776 or 1777 a drafted Militia man for 3 months under the Command of General Linenton [sic, could be Lillington, Linton or Lincoln, maybe others, but most likely Lillington given the area the applicant says he lived in when drafted], Colonel Brown and Captain Daniel Yates, Lieutenant Hardy Gregory. I entered this Service at Fayetteville I was in a battle at bluforts bridge [sic, Beaufort's bridge] 10 miles from Wilmington NC I volunteered for 12 months and served accordingly entered the Service at Hillsboro NC and remained there until the fall of the year and guarded the legislature under the Command of Major Lewis and Major Crafton and Captain Morris Raiford and marched after the legislature adjourned through the Country and returned to Hillsboro and was there discharged this service was performed to the best of my recollection in 1780 and 1781.

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 any State Agency.

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

Ansr. I was born in the year 1760 in the State of North Carolina and Onslow County

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

Ansr. I have a copy of my father's family record of my age now in my possession

Intr. 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?

Ansr. I lived in the County of Onslow and State of North Carolina when I entered the Service I moved from that County and State in the year 1808 to the State of Georgia & Washington County where I have lived ever since and now live

Intr. 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?

Ansr. I was drafted for the first 3 months that I served and I volunteered for 12 months which is all the time I served

Intr. 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.

Ansr. There was no regulars with the troops when I served there was no Continental Regiment with the troops when I served and no Militia Regiment but the one that I was then as far as the General Circumstances of my service I can state no more than I have stated in my declaration

Intr. 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?

Ansr. I received a Discharge from Captain Yates for my first 3 months Service at Bluforts bridge a few days after the battle and for my 12 months Service Captain Raiford was absent and I received a Discharge from Captain Gilasgow [sic, Gillespie?] at Hillsborough, NC which discharges I have long since lost not thinking that they would ever be of any service to me.

Intr. 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.

Ansr. Benjamin Jones, Edward Brantley and Seaborn AH Jones are persons to whom I am known and who can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my service in the revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid                      S/ Lewis Jenkins

S/ James Boatright, JIC

S/ Bryant O'Quin, JIC

S/ John Wicker, JIC

S/ Samuel Robison, JIC

S/ Silas Floyd, JIC

[William P. Haynes, a clergyman and Benjamin Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]