## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Phelen (Phelan) R8168 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. PA [GA]

State of Arkansas Washington County

Personally appeared before me on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty seven, Thomas Phelan a resident of said County of Washington aged eight five years on 28 day of October next – He being born on the 28 of October AD 1752 who being duly Sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefeit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832 Viz that he served two months and 20 days as near as he can recollect that the time his regiment was called to serve was 3 months – that he was attacked with the Bloody flux and placed in the hospital. that he applyed to Col Thomas Hawkly for leave to go to the County – which was granted as there was neithe medical stores nor provisions in the hospital – the Army was then encamped at Bergen in Light of the City of New York – a portion of the regiment in which he served was sent to man fort Lee – The part not sent on that duty got home before he did that when called into service he Resided in Euwchland [sic: Uwchlan] Township Chester County State of Pennsylvania that the service was performed in 1776 in the Summer – he thinks however it was when Washington had the battle on long Island [27 Aug 1776] that he don't know whether this was drafted or volunteer – that the whole rergiment marched –

Thomas Hawkley was the Col of the Reigiment to which he belonged – Thomas Bull was the major of his battalion. That Israel Whelan was his Captain – first Lieutenant was Evan Evans. Second do was David Philips Ensign John Pierce Standard bearer Robert Smith. He marched from Pensylvania through the Jerseys to the City of New york. In 1777 he went to Georgia Settled his family in St Pauls parish now Columbia County – and was frequently engaged in parties against Indians and Tories – that in 1778 he recieved a sevear wound in the head from the hand of a Tory in the following manner he had went to a neighbours house by the name of Wright on some buisness he do't recollect what A party of Tories Charged upon the house. he was attempting to escape having no means of defence one of the attacking party called to him to Surrender. he approached him for that purpose when he drew a pistol from his pocket and discharged it at him the Contents of which he recieved on the side of his head and lodged in his neck the scar of wich is still to be seen

He hereby relinquishes every Claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present ad he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Thomas. Phelen

[Thomas Phelen's claim was rejected because he did not claim at least six months service.]

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COUNTY OF Washington } Be it known that before me P P Van Hoose a Justice of the Peace personally appeared Jerremiah Phelan aged 75 years, who being duly cautioned and then sworn in due form of law, states that He is the son of Thomas Phelan who died on the 28th day of August 1838 and that his mother, named Mary died on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1830 and that they were married on the 6 day of June in the year 1774 and that he is resident of Franklin Co in the State of Arkansas and that He resided there 6 years, and that He resides in above County & State and that furthermore BY THESE PRESENTS, constitute, appoint, and fully empower and authorize, irrevocably and with powers of substitution, F. E. HASSLER, of Washington city, D.C., as my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name and stead, to examine into, to prosecute, to demand, and to receive from the U. S. Government and State officers my rights in all and in any manner of claim for increase or arrears of Pension or Land that may be due me as

Pension of Thomas Phelen who died leaving the same undrawn, as in right of law I may be entitled.

In witness whereof, I has on this 14<sup>th</sup> day Dec, 1852, hereunto signed my name, and affixed my seal.

[signed] Jeremiah Phelan