Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of James Wilson S30801 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Kentucky, County of Nicholas

On this 5th day of October 1833 personally appeared before Archibald Summers one of the Justices of the County Court of Nicholas County James Wilson now a resident in the said County of Nicholas and State of Kentucky aged 77 years in July last, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. "That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1776 or '7 with Captain John Marks, at Albemarle Barracks, and served in the 12th Regiment of the Virginia line under the following named officers – Captain William Gray, Major John Strother & Colonel Frank Taylor, and was discharged at Richmond Virginia some time shortly after the surrender of Cornwallis at York, that he resided in Albemarle County Virginia when he entered the service, that he was in the Battles of the Cowpens; and York Town at the surrender of Cornwallis; and was in several skirmishes not of sufficient importance to be called Battles, that he marched from Virginia through a part of both the Carolinas and back again to Virginia, that the greater part of his time of service was in Virginia, and that he served the period of five years, lacking one day."

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James Wilson ma Jacon Wilson

And I the said Archibald Summers, Justice as aforesaid, do hereby declare my opinion that the foregoing applicant, was a revolutionary soldier and served as he states. And I do hereby certify that the said James Wilson, is now in the Poor House of this County, and requires the daily attention of a physician, and "that he cannot from bodily infirmity attend the court." Given under my hand this fifth day of October 1833. S/ Archibald Summers, Justice

[This file erroneously contains a letter dated May 28, 1843, relating to the case of Hannah Wilson, widow of Benjamin Wilson, written by one Tim R. Young to J. L. Edwards from Marshall County, Illinois.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia service.]