Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jeremiah Wilson S31491 Transcribed by Will Graves fn31VA 10/4/11

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Commonwealth of Kentucky Woodford County: Sct.

On this 9th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of Woodford now sitting Jeremiah Wilson a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged nearly seventyfour years who being 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 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States in the year 1778 that he was drafted in Loudoun County State of Virginia that he served under Captain Peyton [perhaps Val. Peyton] in the 3rd Regiment commanded by Colonel William Heath [William Heth] in Woodford's [William Woodford's] Brigade of Virginia troops that William Davis was a Lieutenant in the company to which he belonged. That he was marched from Prince William County Virginia to the Valley Forge that he was with the Army at the battle of Monmouth he served at that time one year and was honorably discharged at the pumptan plains [Pompton Plains] by Colonel Gaskin [probably Colonel Thomas Gaskins] which discharge he placed in the hands of Colonel H Lee [probably Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] for the purpose of obtaining the pay due him also pay for back rations amounting to about \$50 as certified by Colonel Gaskin. The discharge was never returned to him nor did he ever receive anything for back rations or pay. He furthermore says that previous to and independent of the service before mentioned he served a tour of two months as a substitute for Spilly Stone of Stafford County and State of Virginia he took Stone's place at the red house in Prince William County where a part of the troops rendezvoused his said service was rendered in the company commanded by Captain Hedges the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Jesse Ewell and James Ewell Major the number of the Regiment not recollected he was marched from the red house through Frederick town in Maryland and from thence to Lancaster in Pennsylvania from thence to the Army in the neighborhood of Philadelphia which he joined about a week after the Battle of Germantown that he served the said two months at the end of which time he was honorably discharged near Philadelphia he thinks his company did not receive a written discharge if they did he does not know what became of his. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Jerh Wilson

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Commonwealth of Kentucky Anderson County Sct.

This day personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Roadham Petit [Rodham Petty¹] of credible character and standing and made oath that he was born in Prince William County and State of Virginia that he knew Jeremiah Wilson now a citizen of Woodford County and State of Kentucky both before and during the war of the revolution who is now applying for a pension that he knows him to have served one year as a soldier in the war of the revolution in the company commanded by Captain Peyton in the 3rd Regiment commanded by Colonel William Heath [Heth]. He also swears that the said Jeremiah Wilson served two months as a substitute for Spilly Stone of Stafford County and State of Virginia who was drafted in the company commanded by Captain Hedges and in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Jesse Ewell and James Ewell was Major in the same Regiment that he the said Petit served the same term of 2 months in the same Regiment and he knows that the said Wilson was honorably discharged at the same time with himself.

August 6, 1832 S/ John Busey, JP AC

[facts in file: in 1853, Benjamin Wilson, a resident of Woodford County Kentucky, filed a power of attorney in which he states he is one of the children of Jeremiah Wilson, then deceased. No other children are named in the any of the documents in the file nor is the date of death of the veteran stated.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$46.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 14] months service as a private in the Virginia Continental line and militia.]

¹ FPA W2567