

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Springer S40495

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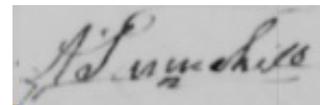
On this 2^d day of December Anno Domini 1819 before me the subscriber Judge of the [page torn] the western District of Pennsylvania personally appeared Jacob Springer aged sixty seven resident in Allegheny county & state of Pennsy[lvania] in the said District who being by me first duly [sworn] according to law doth on his solemn oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war that the said Jacob Springer on the twentieth day of January 1777 enlisted in the Westmorland [sic: Westmoreland] County (now Fayette) Pa [Yohogania County VA in 1776] in the thirteenth regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Col. William Russel [sic: William Russell] in the company commanded by Capt. Robert Bell [Robert Beall BLWt431-300] on the continental establishment in the revolutionary war that he continued to serve in said corps (afterwards commanded by Col. John Gibson [S41578]) in the service of the United States untill the 31 day of October 1778, when he received the commission of Ensign in the ninth Virginia Regiment in the army of the United States and in the company commanded by Capt Robert Bell on the continental establishment as aforesaid. That the said 13th Regiment was reduced to the 9th and was then under the command of Col. John Gibson. That he continued to serve as Ensign aforesaid in the corps aforesaid in the line of virginia aforesaid & in the service of the United States as aforesaid until the conclusion of the American Revolution viz Anno Domini 1783 when the army was disbanded. That the part of the army of the United in which the deponent served was disbanded at Pittsburgh in the state of Pennsylvania. That he was in no general battle but in several Indian skirmishes in the western part of Pennsylvania & that he served in the campaign against the Indians at Tuscarawas under Gen [Lachlan] McIntosh in the year 1778 that he is in reduced circumstances in life & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support & that he hath no other written evidence now in his power of his said services except the commission aforesaid which is hereto annexed



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Personally appeared befor me the subscriber Judge of the United States for the western District of Pennsylvania Col. Adamson Tannehill who after being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he first became personally acquainted with the within named Jacob Springer in the month of July 1779 at Fort Pitt now Pittsburgh That he the said Jacob Springer was then an Ensign in the 13th Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. John Gibson (which said Reg't. was reduced to the 9th of Va & that he the said Jacob Springer continued in the army of the US. on the continental establishment & in the Revolutionary war until the conclusion of the said war in 1783 & that he hath been intimately acquainted with the said Jacob Springer from the time first aforesaid until this day & further that the said Jacob Springer is in reduced circumstances in life & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support

A Tannehill



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Personally appeared before me the subscriber Judge of the United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania Major John Finley [S31025] who being duly sworn according to law depose & saith That he is well acquainted with the within named Jacob Springer & that the said Jacob Springer was an officer in the 9th Virginia Regiment commanded by Col John Gibson in the Revolutionary war & on the continental establishment against the common enemy, & that he personally knew the said Jacob Springer as an officer in the said Regiment from the fall of the year 1778 until the close of the American Revolution in the year 1783. That the deponent hath frequently seen & read the commission of the said Jacob Springer as ensign in the Reft aforesaid & further that the said Jacob Springer is in reduced circumstances in life & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support



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June Term 1820

On this tenth day of June 1820 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record of the United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania Jacob Springer aged 67 years resident in St Clair Township Allegheny County & State of Pennsylvania who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. In January 1776 he enlisted as a private soldier in the company commanded by Capt Robert Bell in the regiment commanded by Col. William Russel & afterwards by Col John Gibson, in the line of the state of Virginia, on the infantry continental establishment – that he served as a private in said regiment till the month of October 1778 when he received the appointment of Ensign in the same regiment – that he continued to serve as such till peace was declared & the troops discharged having served in all six years & seven months, That his commission was forwarded to the war office, in order to procure a pension certificate & has not been returned to him. That he is now entitled to a pension at the rate of \$20 per month commencing on the 11th day of April 1818 in pursuance of a certificate from the secretary of War dated 16 May 1820 No. 16.955 – And the said Jacob Springer doth solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed.

Schedule

Deponent hath no property whatever other than his necessary clothes. Deponent hath no family whatever. Deponent is by occupation a blacksmith, but is wholly unable to proceed in consequence of wounds & infirmities. Deponent is in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support himself without the assistance of his country

Jacob Springer

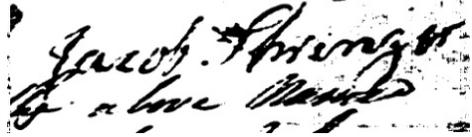
[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

A List of men Served under Captains David Scott [S25425] in the thirteenth Virginy Regiment.
Simon Cochran [W6741] Sergant Served three years
James Scott [S6067] Fifer during the War
John Scott private during the War
Anthony Coon [S9213] private served three years

James Tucker [S40597]	private	served three years
Edward McDannald	private	served three years
Charles Botkin [VAS2509]	private	served three years
Larrance D. Camp [VAS2857]	private	served three years

I do Certify that the above men served the above time as it stands stated during the War.

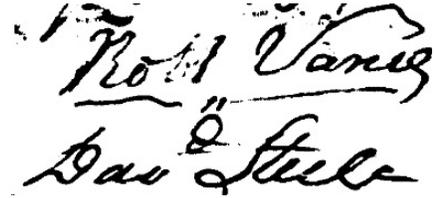
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Warrants issued to all of the above named persons except to Simon Cochran & James Tucker.
Wm. Price Regr

It Appears from the Records of Military Bounty Warrants that on the first day of April 1783 two Warrants Containing in the whole 2666 $\frac{2}{3}$ Acres issued in the name o Jacob Springer as a Lieutenant of the Continental line for three years service
Land Office/ Oct 22 1806
Wm. Price Regr

Robert Vance [VAS348] & David Steele [S40516] Late Captains [illegible] Virginia Line under the Continental Establishment in the Late war Between the united States & Great Britian do Certify that Jacob Springer entered into the Service of the united States & in the 13th virginia Regiment in 1776 that said Jacob Springer Continued in said army for and during the Late war Between said States & Great Britian & that he was a Lieutenant at the termination of s'd war & the virginia Line afsd. Given under our hands this 20th day of Nov'r 1806



I do Cartify that the above named Jacob Springer Entered in to the above mensind Carvice in the month of Sep or October in the year 1776 and Continued in it to the End of the war given under my hand this 14th day of Janry 1807
Benj'n Biggs [Benjamin Biggs W1366]
Latee Capt 13 Vir'a Rig't



I further Cartify that the officers of the 13 Virg'a Rig't. afsd began to recrute the said rig't in the Latterpart of Sep'r or in the Month of oct'r 1776 at which time I my self Enter'd to said Carvice

NOTES:

The file includes Springer's printed commission, but the handwritten details are too faded for transcription.
A document in the file states that Springer died on 16 June 1823.