Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Benjamin Jacobs VAS1138 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

I Certify that I was well acquainted with Benjamin Jacobs of Middlesex County who enlisted under Charles Collier of the first Virginia State Regiment commanded by Colonel George Gibson for the term of three years, and that he served out his term and then enlisted in the 7th Regiment of the Continental line for the term of During the War.

As witness my hand and seal this 27th day of July 1832

S/ Alexander Shackelford, X his mark

[Acknowledged in King & Queen County Virginia July 27, 1832]

To his Excellency John Floyd Governor of the State of Virginia the presentation of Frances Jacobs for herself and her Daughter the only surviving heirs of Benjamin Jacobs Deceased Respectfully represents that her husband the [indecipherable word] Benjamin Jacobs was a Soldier of the Revolutionary War, that he enlisted under Charles Collier of the first Virginia State Regiment (which Regiment your petitioner has understood was commanded by Colonel George Gibson) for the term of three years and that after serving the three years in the first State Regiment he enlisted for the term of During the War in the 7th Regiment of the Continental line [the image of this document deteriorates at this point so that there are several lines that are indecipherable as posted online] she therefore asked that a warrant may be granted her for the lands due to her husband for his military Service and as in duty bound she will ever pray.

S/ Frances Jacobs