Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry F. James VAS1146 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

Madison County Virginia to wit

This day personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace of the County aforesaid Churchill Gibbs ¹ and made oath that Henry F James enlisted as a soldier in the War of the Revolution under Captain John Green of the County of Culpeper in the year 1775 from thence he marched to the City of Williamsburg and served his time out faithfully according to the Terms of his enlistment.

Given under my hand this 25th day of November 1830 S/Jas. Somerville, JP

I do hereby Certify that I knew Henry F James who enlisted in the year 1776 in the Company of which I belonged commanded by Captain John Lee for the term of two years to serve as a marine and after serving twelve months on board of the Sloop *Liberty* commanded by Walter Brooke, the said James together with the deponent and others of Captain Lee's Company extended their term of service to three years to serve on the land service – we were marched on to Williamsburg but in consequence of indisposition the said James was left in Alexandria since which time deponent has never seen him, & has understood he died there. Given under my hand this 16th day of August 1832

S/ Peter H Triplett²

[Attested in Culpeper County Virginia August 16, 1832]

[p 5-- illegible, as posted, certificate given by John Colvin in May 1831.]

This is to certify to all whom it may concern that Henry F James enlisted in the revolutionary war under Captain John Green of Culpeper County in the year 1775 and we marched out of the said County to Williamsburg and was with said James during said year all of which I perfectly recollect. Given under my hand this 13th day of November 1830

S/ William Foster, X his mark

[Attested in Culpeper County Virginia]

² Peter H. Triplett W2706

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¹ Churchill Gibbs S46002

City of Richmond to wit

Robert Pollard³ of the City personally appeared before me a Magistrate of said City and made oath that he was intimately acquainted with every member of the family of Mr. Joseph James of the County of Culpeper, who had several sons, one by the name of Henry & another named Daniel [could be David],⁴ that Henry entered into the service early in the revolutionary War and he believes as a soldier in the Company of regular troops raised by Captain, afterwards Colonel, John Green, and from information is satisfied continued in the Army until his death, that the said Henry & Daniel were brothers by the same Father & Mother, and that the said Daniel is now living in the County of Culpeper or Madison, and acting as postmaster at James City post office situated in one of those Counties. Given under my hand this 18th day of December 1832 S/ Jno. Keldoe, JP [?]

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³ This MAY be the same man as **Robert Pollard S5944**