Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Josiah Jenkins VAS1173
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[From pension records in the Library of Virginia]

[p 2: Order of the Fauquier County Virginia court in September 1787 certifying that Anne Jenkins is the widow of Josiah Jenkins a soldier who died in the Continental Army; that the widow is in indigent circumstances having one child to maintain. I did not transcribed this document because the image of it as posted online compromised both the right and the left hand margin of the document but I could make out the essential facts noted above.]

[p 4: a note indicating that the widow was put on the pension list at £8 per year effective January 1787]

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I do with the advice of the Council hereby certify, that Anne Jenkins widow of Josiah Jenkins who was a private in the __ and died in the service of the United States is entitled to the sum of Eight Pounds yearly; which allowance will commence from the 1st day of January 1787

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia this first day of October 1787

S/T. Meriwether

S/ Edm. Randolph

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10th Augt. 1788 Rec'd from the Sheriff of Farquir County full Satisfaction for the within S/ Ann Jinkens

[p 10] Fauquier County

This day came before me the undersigned one of the Justices of the peace for the said County, James Stark of full age & reputable character & after being duly sworn deposeth & saith that he was well acquainted with Josias Jenkins & his wife Ann for several years before he went

into the Army & his wife Ann he knew many years after, & believes moved into the County of Culpeper & is still living there. Given under my hand & seal this 28th February 1810 S/ H. Foote

[p11] [indecipherable]

This day Jeremiah Strosher personally appeared before me a Magistrate of the said City, and made oath that he has been acquainted with Ann Jenkins for nearly twenty years, and has lived a near neighbor to her for nearly ten years; that she is very old, illiterate and poor, and according to her on account has never received her pension from the time of her removal from the County of Fauquier to Culpeper upwards of twenty years ago. Her age, infirmity & poverty is such that she could not, without extreme inconvenience go to the Courthouse of Culpeper County, in which he now resides – living, as she does, about twenty-seven or twenty-eight miles from the Court house.

Given under my hand this 23rd of March 1810 S/ J. Ambler

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[Note: the image of this document is compromised by missing the top portion thereof]deposeth & saith, that He was well acquainted with Josias Jenkins & his wife Ann & that he served a Tour in the Army with the said Jenkins in the Year 1775 & after that he enlisted in the 3rd Virginia Regiment under Captain John Ashby & soon after died. The deponent further saith that his widow Ann lived several years by him after the death of her husband Josias Jenkins & Lee she moved into the County of Culpeper further the deponent saith not. Given under my hand & seal this 28th February 1810

S/R. H. Foote

[p 18: Governor John Tyler reinstates the widow's pension March 23, 1810

[p 20: in a document the image of which is severely compromise, the widow appears to state that her husband died in the Army at Philadelphia .]

[p 49: compromised image of a document which appears to be a power of attorney dated January 3rd, 1823 signed by the widow with her mark. This is the latest entry in this file relating to the annual administration of the widow's pension.]