# Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

# Pension application of Henry Jordan VAS1330 Transcribed by Will Graves

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# [From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

#### City of Richmond to wit

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the City aforesaid William Williams of Henrico County and made oath according to law that he was well acquainted with Henry Jordan Deceased who enlisted in the war of the Revolution as a private of Infantry in the Continental line under Captain John Pleasants and served under him until he resigned. Given under my hand this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1834

S/ Thomas Cowles, JP

### City of Richmond to wit

Personally appeared before me a Magistrate for the City Alexander Childers of Henrico County and made oath according to law that he was well acquainted with Henry Jordan deceased who enlisted in the War of the Revolution as a private of Infantry in the Continental line under Captain John Pleasants and served under him till he resigned, for the term of 2 years and after he resigned Captain William Mosby succeeded him. Given under my hand this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1834.

S/ Thomas Cowles, JP

# City of Richmond to wit

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the said City Elizabeth Whitlow [?] of the County of Henrico aged about eighty years who made oath in due form of Law that Henry Jordan deceased her Brother enlisted in the War of the Revolution as a private of Infantry on Continental Establishment for five years and served that time out but do not recollect the Captain's name he served under and that the said Henry Jordan Deceased left three children namely William B, Mary H and Elizabeth who are his legal Heirs at law.

Given under my hand at the City aforesaid this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1834.

S/ Thomas Cowles, JP

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 1783, in the name of

Henry Jordan, as a Soldier of Infantry for £59.8.5, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1834.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

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The Heirs of Henry Jordan – Soldier – Continental Line

The facts of this case are – Henry Jordan's name is on the Army Register as a Soldier of Infantry. He received May 28, 1783 – the sum of £59.8.5 the balance of his full pay. (See Auditor's certificate).

Two witnesses – William Williams & Alexander Childers swore that they knew Henry Jordan a soldier of the Revolution. – That he enlisted with Captain John Pleasants, and served in his company until the said Pleasants resigned his commission, which was (as Alexander Childers says) two years. Pleasants was succeeded by Captain William Mosby.

Another witness Elizabeth Whitlow says that Henry Jordan, who was her brother, enlisted in the War of the Revolution for five years, and served out that term of enlistment. She does not know or recollect under what Captain he served.

Respectfully submitted

John H Smith, Commissioner etc.

May 12, 1834

To his Excellency Governor Tazewell