

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Gwinn VAS1697

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

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental 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 14th day of April 1786, in the name of Joseph Gwinn, as a soldier of infantry for £17.17 –, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Col. T Matthews and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
4th day of October 1849.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

At a Court held for Princes Anne County the 2nd day of July 1832

The Court certify that satisfactory evidence was adduced to prove that Sally Simmons the wife of James Simmons is the only heir at law and legal representative of Joseph Gwin [sic] deceased a soldier in the war of the revolution.

I John J Burroughs Clerk of the County Court of Princess Anne aforesaid do certify that the foregoing is a true transcript from the records of the said County Court: And, In testimony hereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said court at the Courthouse of the said County this 18th day of April 1843, in the 67th year of the Commonwealth.

S/ J. J. Burroughs, CC

I Felix Sherwood¹ of the County of Princess Anne and State of Virginia I hereby Certify that Joseph Gwinn did enlist under Captain Matheys and did serve during the war of the Revolution [two indecipherable words] Sowell Sherwood this the said [indecipherable word] was my brother.

S/ Felix Sherwood, X his mark

Given under my hand this the 26 day of June 1832

S/ David Walters, JP

¹ The Virginia reviewers saw this name as "Julia Sherwood" and it may well be, but see below and judge for yourself.

I William Connor of the County of Princess Anne
 and State of Va. hereby Certify that Joseph Gwin
 Did enlist under Capt. Mathys and Did Serve during
 the war of the Revolution He is now so well Remembred
 that the said Gwin was my brother
 Gwin under my hand this the 26th day
 of May 1832
 David Mathys

I William Connor of the County of Princess Anne and formerly a Soldier of the Revolution do hereby certify that Joseph Gwin was a soldier in Jenkins's [?] Regiment Virginia State since During the war of the Revolution and was Honorable [sic] Discharge at the end thereof. Given under my hand this 26 day of May 1832

S/ William Connor

I William Connor of the County of Princess Anne
 and formerly a Soldier of the Revolution do hereby
 Certify that Joseph Gwin was a Soldier in
 Jenkins's Regiment Virginia State since During
 the war of the Revolution and was Honorable
 Discharged at the end thereof
 Gwin under my hand this the 26th day of May
 1832
 William Connor