Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Jarvis MD1

Transcribed and annotated by Joan Jackson and C. Leon Harris.

John Jarvis 63 years of age who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th march 1818 & the first day of May 1820 that he the said John Jarvis Enlisted for the term of three years, the day & year not rememberd but on St. Patricks day, in the State of Maryland in Captain Mathews Crew of the Galley Defence he served in said corps 18 months in the Continental Establishment when he was discharged having procured a substitute upon which he was discharged in Maryland—and that he has no other evidence in his power of his said service, and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

I own one horse & mare both very old 2 cows 1 about dying Household furniture & farming utensils \$5.

I owe more than I can pay—

John his Xmark Jarvis

I have in family Six viz myself my wife 56 years. Caleb 18 years. Thomas 16 years. Milly 13 years. Sally

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John hisXmark Jarvis

\$40 total valuation

NOTE: The above transcription is from a record of court proceedings in Harrison County (West) Virginia, Book 1, page 149, a copy of which was kindly provided by David Houchin. No application by this John Jarvis has been found among the online pension applications posted by fold3.com or ancestry.com. Other sources state that John Jarvis also applied for a pension in 1818 in Lewis County, but a copy of the original has not yet been obtained.