Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Jackman R5508 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Missouri County of Callaway Sct.

On this 12th day of October 1835 personally appeared before the Honorable David Todd Judge of the first Judicial Circuit in the State of Missouri in open court in the County of Callaway aforesaid, Joseph Jackman a resident of the County of Callaway and State of Missouri aged about eighty years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he entered the military Service of the United States on the last day of August in the year 1777 with Colonel William Edmonds Captain Daniel Floury [Daniel Flowers] and served in the Regiment of Colonel William Edmonds, under the officers aforesaid and Major Martin Picket [Martin Pickett also spelled Pitchett]. The Regiment to which he belonged (aforesaid) marched from Fauquier County Virginia in the direction of Brandywine for the purpose of joining the American Army at that place, but before we reached there we received intelligence that the battle had been fought [September 11, 1777], and we returned and were disbanded after a service of three months.

He again entered the military service of the United States in the month of February 1778 or 1779, as a volunteer, under the command of Captain Leonard Helm in the County of Fauquier State of Virginia. His impression then was that his Captain rendered but little service to the Country, and that he left this service in April of the same year. At the time he entered this last mentioned service he resided in Fauquier County Virginia. The object in raising the above forces according to his recollection was to capture some British forts amongst others, one at Vincennes Indiana a part of the volunteers went on in the direction of that place, he returned home in April as stated above.

He again entered the Military Service of the United States in the month of April 1781 and marched to Richmond from Fauquier County Virginia (where he then resided) under the command of Captain William Jennings and Colonel Elias Edmunds: we remained encamped at Richmond for several days, and were then marched back into the interior to join the main Army under General Wayne [Anthony Wayne]; we then pursued the British towards the seacoast during which time his term of service expired which was about the last of July 1781 during two months of the above service he acted as orderly Sergeant in his company.

In consequence of his advanced age and loss of memory, he cannot now recollect many incidents relative to the service in which he was engaged nor can he now say with precision the length of time that he served, but according to his best recollection he thinks it was about nine months. He has no documentary evidence and knows of no living witness by whom he can

prove the rendition of the above service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any State. –

To the Questions directed to be propounded by the war Department he answers as follows I was born in the year 1755 in the County of Fauquier and State of Virginia. I have no record of my age. – I was living when called into service in Fauquier County Virginia – I remained in Fauquier County Virginia sometime after the revolution terminated. I emigrated in the year 1797 to Lincoln County Kentucky from that I emigrated to Washington County Kentucky in the year 1800, and in the year 1829, I emigrated to Callaway County Missouri where I now reside – In relation to the manner of my being called into Service I cannot state further than in my declaration above. – I recollect the names of the following Officers who were with the troops where I served General Anthony Wayne, Colonel Elias Edmunds, Colonel William Edmonds – Major Martin Pickett, Captain Jennings – Captain Daniel Floury & Captain Leonard Helm; as to Regiments and general circumstances of my service I cannot now state further than I have done above.

I never received any discharge from the service. –

I am known in my neighborhood to the following persons who can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my having rendered service as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War. To wit, Reverend James Love & Pierson W Overly.

S/ Joseph Jackman, X his mark

[James Love, a clergyman, and Pierson W Overly gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Missouri County of Audrain

Be it remembered that on the 12th day of May 1838 before me William McCormick one of the Justices of the peace for said County personally came Joseph Jackman who being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he is eighty-three years of age according to his father's record & that he is palsied and has been for twenty years & growing worse and he further states that it is between twelve and fifteen miles to the court house not being able from weakness to attend court he makes a supplemental Statement to the one first sent on which is as follows that he entered the Service sometime in August 1777 (date not recollected) as a militia man of Virginia. Marched from Fauquier County Virginia in the direction of the Brandywine heading to the Battle of that place when near to it the married men were disbanded and went home and the young men went on near headquarters of which I was one and as well as I recollect we were four or five weeks longer before we marched for home and it was sometime in the month of November when I got home date not recollected. This deponent further states as well as he recollects he was called out for three months has no recollection that he only served a part of the tour But believes he got pay in paper for the three months.

This deponent further states that he volunteered in 1778 or 1779 under Captain Helm Joined the Army equipped himself at considerable expense, exercised under the command of his officers And owing to the sickness of his aged father he got a permit from his officers to return home actual Service of course could not exceed a week as to that time. The next alleged tour was in 1781 for three months But they were detained longer than the call he deposeth & says a half months longer & this deponent further states that he has in the whole as stated above performed over six months actual service for his country. And further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed before me in the County aforesaid this 12th day of May 1838.

S/ Joseph Jackm [sic]

[p 12: Finding dated September 7, 1853 by the court of Audrain County Missouri that Joseph Jackman formerly of Calloway County Missouri died in Audrain County Missouri October 6, 1842 survived by a widow named Phebe Jackman who is still living in Audrain.]