

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Saunders S11347

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State of Kentucky Bullitt County: SS: On this 20th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of said County Joseph Saunders a resident citizen of said County who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions laid by act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. Saith that he is now about seventy-six years of age. That he resided in Culpepper County [Culpeper County] Virginia and enlisted early in September 1775 for the period of one year under Captain John Green of the 1st Virginia State Regiment and that he continued in the service until about the close of the year 1777 when he resigned being at that time an Ensign in the 1st Virginia State Regiment commanded at that time by Colonel George Gibson the said Regiment being then with the Grand Army in Pennsylvania. That in the year 1779 he was appointed a Lieutenant in the company commanded by Captain Mark Thomas of Major Slaughter's [George Slaughter's] Corps and incorporated in Crockett's [Joseph Crockett's] Regiment where he served until the disbanding of the men at the falls of Ohio now Louisville in the close of the year 1781 and remained from that time to the close of the war as an officer liable to be called on at any time when wanted. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any State. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year above stated.

S/ Joseph Saunders

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph Saunders". The signature is written in dark ink and includes a decorative flourish at the end.

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State of Kentucky Shelby County:

Personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Captain Benjamin Roberts¹ a revolutionary Officer who being duly sworn saith that Joseph Saunders who he now believes to be living in Bullitt County in said State was a Lieutenant in Captain Mark Thomas' Company of Slaughter's Corps of which he deponent was Captain of the other Company – that the said Saunders served as Lieutenant of said company from the time of appointment or joining in the year 1779 until the expiration of the term of the enlistment of the men expired with the close of the year 1781 when the officers all remained without commands but such as had not resigned being held or considered as held to be ordered

¹ FPA S31343

into service at any time when wanted and further he saith not.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 19th of June 1832

S/ Geo. Bergin, ???

S/ Ben. Roberts

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ben. Roberts". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "S/ Ben. Roberts".

[Facts in file: veteran died August 13, 1838, in Bullitt County Kentucky; Nat. P. Saunders the veteran's son was living in 1854.: The file does not contain the name of the veteran's wife nor any other family data.]

[f p. 12: calculation of the half pay due this officer from April 22, 1783 2 August 13, 1838: 55 years 3 months & 20 days – showing a total sum due of \$8,848.88 of which \$7680 was paid February 23, 1833 and the balance of \$1,168.88 was paid on March 25, 1842 to the attorney for the veteran's administrator, John M. Ferguson of Richmond, Virginia.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$320 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Lieutenant for 2 years in the Virginia service.]