## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Vincent S16566 Transcribed by Will Graves f60VA 11/3/11

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State of Indiana Franklin County: Sct.

On this \_\_ day of October A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Franklin Circuit Court for the County of Franklin aforesaid, now sitting, John Vincent a resident of the County of Franklin and State of Indiana aforesaid, aged eighty-two years the 21st day of August A.D. 1832, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

1. I entered the service on or about the first day of July 1774 and marched from Hampshire County Virginia to Chillicothe now in the State of Ohio as a Volunteer under Captain Wallace, Crawford was the Major and Boman [Bowman?] the Colonel; that he served in that tour against the Indians and was in one battle at Kanawha. I volunteered and marched to Wheeling and served three months during the Revolutionary War, but what month or year I do not recollect, Captain Formon [Forman?] commanded under whom this deponent served as an orderly Sergeant; At Grave Creek this deponent together with a party of 15 or 20 whites were attacked by a party of Indians by whom most of the whites were killed. On the 15th day of March 1782 I received a Lieutenant's commission, and marched with Captain Statel with the Virginia Militia from Hampshire County Virginia with the view of going to South Carolina in which tour I served upwards of three months. And that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a Pension or Annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Vincent

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[Elijah Barwick, a clergyman, and Isaac Wilson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The following is the answers to the Questions or interrogatories propounded by the Court and answered by the Applicant

Answer to the first interrogatory propounded by the war Department

I was born in Kingsington [Kensington] two miles of London in the year of A.D. 1850 and came over to Virginia in the year A.D. 1762

2nd I have a record of my age at my residence in Franklin County State of Indiana 3rd when I was called into the service each time I lived in Hampshire County Virginia and lived there until the year A.D. 1800. I then moved to Indiana territory and have lived in Franklin County Indiana ever since the state of Indiana has been a state and now reside in Franklin County Indiana.

4th I volunteered every time I was in the service

5th Major Crafford [Crawford?], Captain Wallace, Colonel Bomon, Captain Formon, Captain Stale, Major Wales

5th. I was discharged by Major Wales at one time and by Colonel Kite at the last time that I was in the service

6. I received a Commission herewith enclosed

7th. Elijah Barwick & Isaac Wilson with many others can testify to my Character I know of none that can testify to my service

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I do hereby certify that John Vincent hath taken and subscribed the oath or affirmation of allegiance and fidelity, as directed by an act of General Assembly entitled An act to oblige the free male inhabitants of this State above a certain age to give assurance of allegiance to the same and for other purposes. Witness my hand and seal, this 25th day of April 1778

S/ John Forman

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The Commonwealth of VIRGINIA	
NOW you that from the special trust and considence which is reposed in your sidelity, courage, activity, and good conduct, our Governor, with the advice of the Council of State, and on the recommendation of the worshipful court of the county of Manhabase doth appoint you the said Ama Canana Suntanana in the militia of the said county of Manhabase. In testimony whereof, these our letters are made patent. WITNESS, Manhaman Marriefin Esquire, our said Governor, at Machanana this 18 Manhabase day of Manhabase in the WAR-OFFICE.	~ 4

[f p 22] State of Indiana Franklin County: SS

On this 14th day of May A.D. 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Probate Court of Franklin County, Indiana, now sitting John Vincent a resident of Brookville Township, Franklin County aforesaid, aged eighty-two years the 24th day of August A.D. 1832, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. He resided in Hampshire County on the South branch of the Potomac [River] in the State of Virginia. In the year 1776 he volunteered under Captain William Forman, sometime in July or August of said year, who by order of Major Vanmeter raised a company to be stationed at Fort Wheeling, and this deponent avers that he served in the Army of the United States in this tour as an orderly Sergeant three months, and was in an engagement with the Indians who attacked a party of soldiers belonging to the United States service. I was one of the party. We were sent down the Ohio River a few miles and while returning at the narrows of grave creek we were attacked by the Indians as aforesaid, the narrows of Grave Creek is about 7 or 8 miles from Wheeling: in this engagement we lost about 15 men, among whom was our Captain Forman. I was shot through the right leg but not so bad as to make me lame. When he volunteered as aforesaid he agreed to be subject to the call of the State and was frequently called out to go on scouting parties against the Indians, who were very troublesome at that time in Virginia. He was also often called out between the year 1776 and 1781 to suppress the Tories, but cannot tell how long he served in these scouting parties. In the year 1781 he received a Lieutenant's commission (which he sent to the War Department with a former declaration) and was ordered to go to Charlestown South Carolina, in the month of June or July in the said year, he was in a company commanded by Captain Stadel [? Sladel?], Colonel Voice was along and

was our Colonel. He served in this tour as Lieutenant as aforesaid as well as he can recollect four months that it was more than three months, he has no documentary evidence, except the Lieutenant's commission aforesaid, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

Answers to the Interrogatories prescribed by the War Department. 1. He was born in the County of Middlesex, two miles from London in England on the 24th day of August 1750. 2. He has a record of his age at his residence in the County of Franklin aforesaid. 3. He came to America in 1762 and was living in Hampshire County Virginia when called into the service, and lived in that County until 1796. He then moved to Kentucky and resided there four years. He then came to the Territory of Indiana in 1800 and has resided in the County of Franklin aforesaid until the present time. 4. He volunteered as aforesaid. 5. He was acquainted with Captain Forman, Major Vanmeter, Colonel Voice, Captain Sladel and Colonel Hite by whom he was discharged. 6. He did receive a discharge from Colonel Hite, but it is lost. He also received a Lieutenant's commission signed by Governor Harrison [Benjamin Harrison] which is now on file in the War Department. 7. He is acquainted with Elijah Barwick and Isaac Wilson of my present neighborhood, who can testify as to my character for veracity &c. 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid
S/Robert John, Clerk
S/ John Vincent
[Elijah Barwick, a clergyman, and Isaac Wilson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$55 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a Sergeant & Lieutenant in the Virginia militia.]