

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Fairlie ¹ S17945

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New York City James Fairlie, deceased, Act May 15, 1828

Ordered to pay Arrears – See letter to J Fleming, July 16, 1836 New York (service)

Soldier died October 10, 1830 See Agency Book

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of an act entitled “An act for the relief of certain Surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution” approved the 15th of May 1828 – I James Fairlie of the City and in the County of New York and the State of New York – do hereby declare that I was an Officer in the Continental line in the Army of the revolution with the rank of Lieutenant in the Second New York Regiment until the 15th day of May 1780, when I was appointed in General orders Aid de Camp to Major General Baron de Steuben with the pay and emoluments &c of a Major in the line of the Army and continued as such till the end of the war – And I also declare that I afterwards received Certificates commonly called a commutation certificates for the sum equal to the amount of five years full pay of a Lieutenant in the Army which sum was offered by the resolve of Congress of the 22nd March 1783 instead of half pay for life to which I was entitled under the resolve of the 21st of October 1780.

Witness my hand this 2nd day of December in the year 1828.

S/ Jas. Fairlie



Before me Richard Riker Recorder of the City and County of New York in the State of New York personally appeared this day Nicholas Fish and Theodosius Fowler of the said County who did severally make oath that James Fairlie by whom the foregoing declaration was subscribed is known to them severally to have been an officer in the Army of the Revolution in the manner as therein stated.


Witness my hand this 2nd day of December in the year 1828

S/ R. Riker

S/ Nichs. Fish²

¹ BLWt733-200—Lieut. Issued Jan. 13, 1791 No papers Carded

S/ Theod. Fowler³



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Revolutionary Claims
6 December 1828
Treasury Department,

James Fairlie of New York ~~in the County of ___ in the State of ___~~ has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that was an officer in the Continental line, and served as such to the end of the War, at which period he was a Lieutenant & Aid de Camp to General Steuben in the ___ regiment of the N. York line; and that he received commutation certificates for the five years full pay granted by the resolve of 22 March, 1783; and, further, that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March 1826, nothing dollars, ~~paid to him by the agent in the State of ___~~

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
December 9, 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that final settlement certificates had been issued for the commutation of five years full pay to James Fairlie Lieutenant & A. D. in the New York line, amounting to sixteen hundred dollars.

It further appears that James Fairlie is not now on the pension list of any agency, not since the 3rd of March 1826 ~~and has been so since the ___ at the rate of ___ per month.~~

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office
1828

The records of this office ___

S/ Robert Taylor

² W8809

³ W16575