Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Frazier S21209 Transcribed by Will Graves

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South Carolina Abbeville District

On this Third day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting James Fraser a resident of Abbeville District in the State aforesaid, aged Sixty Six 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 Act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated: That he entered the service as a volunteer Militia man, in Capt. James Thomas' Company of Infantry on the 16th day of June 1781. -- That John Ryan was the regular Capt. of the Company, but was then a prisoner (the name of the subaltern officers he does not now recollect)-- except Van Swearingen who was first Lieut.: -- does not know the Battalion, -- but was under the command of General Pickens [Andrew Pickens]. That he volunteered to serve in Edgefield District until the was marched up into Abbeville District to the Block house, & marched from there and immediately under the Command of General Pickens as a scouting party, or guard until he joined the General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] at Bacon's Bridge, near Charleston, was then drafted for one month, and was discharged: That he had no written discharge. -- That he has no documentary evidence whatever. That he knows of no person in this District who could swear to his service -- John Sampkins, Moses Harris, Daniel Rogers are living & perhaps would prove it, in Edgefield.

That he resided in Edgefield at the time he entered the service & continued to live in that District until within the last 20 or 23 years, which time he has been & continues now to live in Abbeville District. That he continued in the service 11 months & 12 days, & was discharged at Bacon's bridge as above stated.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not found on the pension Roll of the agency of any State. 1st Question Where and in what year were you born?

Answer he was born in Virginia, Culpeper County, in the year 1767. The day not recollected 18th April

2nd Question Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer -- has no record of his age

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the

² Daniel Rogers S18186

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¹ Moses Harris S17996

Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. I was living in Edgefield District South Carolina -- since then, I have, & now, then in Abbeville District.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer. I was first a volunteer, afterwards I was drafted.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

I recollect General Pickens & General Greene. I do not recollect the number or name of the Regiment in which I served: the general circumstances, I have related in the Declaration above made.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

I received no discharge in writing. Sworn to in open Court 3 April 1833

S/ James Frazier

James Frazier

S/ Jas. Wardlaw, Clk

[James Moore, a clergyman, and Joseph Black gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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South Carolina Edgefield District

Personally came before me Daniel Rogers a Revolutionary pensioner and made oath that he this deponent has been personally acquainted with James Frazier of Abbeville District, and certifies that said Frazier during the latter part of the revolutionary war called into service in General Greene's Army and was out some months but cannot say how long also has ever considered said Frazier of strict veracity and good morals -- Sworn to before me the 5th day of November 1836

S/ Robert Bryan, JQ

S/Daniel Rogers

Desired Rogers

[p 22: On February 24, 1837 from Fraziersville in Abbeville District South Carolina, James W Frazier forwarded the affidavit of Daniel Rogers to James L Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions. The relationship, if any, of the correspondent to the veteran is not stated.

[p 8: On March 11, 1842 in Abbeville District South Carolina, the veteran filed an affidavit stating that he now lives in Abbeville District and has lived there for the space of 30 years past previous to which he lived in Edgefield District South Carolina.]

[Facts in file: Veteran died August 30, 1842, survived by a widow (not named)]

[Veteran was initially pensioned at the rate of \$43.33 per annum reduced to \$38 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 11 months and 12 days in the South Carolina militia.]