Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Coatney (Courtney) S3203 VA
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State of Tennessee }
Green County }

On this 17th day of October 1832 personally appeared before me Hugh D Hale one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for the County & State aforesaid James Coatney aged Eighty three years and resident in the County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under th following named officers, & served as herein stated towit being a resident citizen of the Count of Fauquire in the State of Virginia in & previous to the year 1777 – he enlisted into the army of the revolution at Falmouth [sic: Falmouth] in Stafford County, as well as he recolets in the year 1777. he was Enlisted by Nathaniel Fox Lieutenant in a company commanded by Oliver Tolles [sic: Oliver Towles], I think the Colo who commanded was named [Samuel] Hawes but I am not certain, from thence we marched to Newport [Newport News?], and from there we marched to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] and while at Williamsbugh or on the march I was so hurt by being ruptured that I got a discharge from service and have ever to the present time been disabled in a great measure from attending to business previous to Enlisting in the regular service I served about Twelve months in the militia under the Command of Capt Andrew Buchanon - Walter Vowels [sic: Walter Vowles Leutenant Colo John Skinker commanded the regiment. I have no recollection who was Major. I had my discharge for many year but I have no recollection of what has become of it. As well as I recollet I was in service between fifteen & Eighteen months

That he has no documentary evidence nor does he know of any person by whom he can establish his said sevice or can testify to the same. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State, nor is there any resident minister of the Gospel in his vicinity by whom he can establish the facts required by the instructions of the secretary of war, nor is he able to attend the Court.

James hisXmark Coatney

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On this 8th day of June 1833 before the subscriber Hugh D Hale Esqr one of the Justices afsaid County appeared James Coatney and in explanation and amendment of his original declaration for pension made & subscribed the following statement on oath. towit that he was born in the County of Fauquier State of Virginia, on the 19th day of August 1749 as appears from the family record which is now in his posession, that as before stated there is no resident minister of the Gospel in his vicinity by whom he can establish the reputation of his service, but that William Kesterson & Jesse Fielding are persons known to him & he to them & by whom he has established his reputation of service that as stated by him in his original declaration he was in the minute service enrolled under Capn Andrew Buchanan in the County of Fauquier State aforesaid, and afterward enlisted as stated by him.

That he is now so aged and infirm that he by reason of loss of memory cannot state precisely how long he served and the particulars but is very certain that he served in the minute service six months under Capn Buchannan and in Col Skinkers command, and in the company of Oliver Tolls, Col Haws's Regiment, three months before he was disabled to service from a violent rupture & was discharged on that account from the regular service

Sworn to & subscribed before me this date above

James hisXmark Coatney

NOTE: On 7 Nov 1836 Fielding Courtney and George Courtney stated that James Courtney died on 12 March 1836 leaving a wife, Sally Courtney.