

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Josiah Grimmit S3428

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State of Tennessee }                    Circuit Court Sept'r Term 1832.  
Hickman County    }

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September AD 1832 personally appeared before the Circuit Court of the County aforesaid Josiah Grimmit aged Sixty Seven years who being first duely sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7 1832. That he entered the service of the United States in the Virginia Militia in the year 1781 latter part of March or first of February for the term of three months as a substitute for one Edward Choat Jr. under Capt. David Lanier he left the Company in a short time & Josiah Shaw took the command of the Company & I think Debris [sic: Doverix] Gilliam was the Sarjant. Abriham [sic: Abraham] Penn was our Col. & one Hughes or Waler [sic: George Waller] was our Maj'r. I resided in Henry County State of Virginia when I substitute. We marched to a place called the troublesam Iron works [sic: Troublesome Iron Works in present Rockingham County NC, following the Battle of Guilford Courthouse on 15 Mar 1781] & joined the mane army under Gen. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene]. from there we went to Ramsey's Mills on deep River, crossed there went through North Carolina & into the State of South Carolina to Campden [sic: Camden] and on the same night we had a skirmish with the British and for several days after [including Battle of Hobkirk Hill, 25 Apr 1781]. we remained here ten days after our term of Service had expired waiting for reinforcements, and after they arive I was discharged & returned home to the County of Henry aforesaid. I stayed there thirteen days & was drafted in the Virginia line for three months. I was mustered into service at Pittsylvania old Court House & marched to Pittsylvania new Court house, stayed there a few days waiting for other troops, from thence I was marched to Prince Edward Court house, & from thence to Hickory fork Church, from thence to Carters Ferry on James River [near Cartersville in Cumberland County], from thence to Dandredges old fields [sic: Dandridge's Old Field, 16 - 19 Jun 1781], (here there was a duel fought between two officers of the regular troops) On our march Maj'r Pernell [sic: Pannill] was shot accidentally the names of the officers under whom I served this tower are Capt. Swanson, Lieut. Alex'r. Reeves or Middleton Woods. Col. [St. George] Tucker, Gen. [Robert] Lawson, & James Spencer Commissary. from the old fields we marched to a place called Botom's Bridges [sic: Bottoms Bridge] on a Creek called Chickahominey [sic: Chickahominy River] from there I was marched to James Town on James River, & there we met the army under Gen. Washington returning from the capture of lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781], from thence I was marched back to said County of Henry & discharged after serving three months in the army in all six months

I am now old & need some aid from my Country.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, & declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state

[signed] Josiah Grim [sic]

NOTE: The pension application of Jordan Milam (W25709) is virtually identical.