## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Cavander S35818

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State of Kentucky & County of Franklin in the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District to wit —

Be it remembered that on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August in the year 1818 personally appeared before me Silas M. Noel Circuit Judge presiding in the District aforsaid Joseph Cavender of the County aforsaid & made the following statement on oath for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an Act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land & naval services of the United States in the revolutionary War" that he inlisted in the service of the United States about the first of March 1777 in Amelia County & State of Virginia under Capt James Foster of the 15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment under the command of Gen. [William] Woodford, that he served as orderly Sergeant three years that he was Steward for Gen. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] eleven months he served in the Revolutionary War altogether six years & seven months, that he was in the Battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777], Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] &c in all he fought in thirteen Battles, that he was duly discharged by Gen. [Benjamin] Lincoln at Richmond (Virginia) about August in the year 1783. That he has been allowed since the war no pension from government, that he is now in very reduced circumstances & needs the assistance of his Country for support, that he has lost or mislaid his discharge – Signed the day & year above mentioned. [signed] Joseph Cavander

[John S. Satterwhite, pension application S33642, stated that he had known Cavander during the war.]

Commonwealth of Kentucky Christian Circuit Court
Christian County Sct October Term 1820 Sct

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record for the said County, because of its having power to fine & imprision, Joseph Cavender, aged 61 years, resident in said County, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. he enlisted in Amelia County in the State of Virginia about the first of March 1777 for the term of 3 years & in 1779 he reenlisted [for] during the war; he belonged to the 15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Col Ennis [sic: James Innes], his company was commanded by James Foster & he was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, Stony Point [16 Jul 1779], and many other engagements not now recollected, he was honorably discharged at Richmond Virginia in 1783. But from length of time has lost it. the date of his original Declaration was about the 1st of September 1818 and the number of his Pension Certificate is 10508. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed & by me subscribed, necessary clothing and bedding excepted viz:

\$0.50

An half dozen knives and forks	\$1.50
An small Earthen dish	\$0.50
An half dozen Teacups & Saucers	\$1
One half dozen tea spoons	\$0.50
One pot & one Kettle	\$3
one farming ax	\$1.50

One Coffee Pot

One half dozen plates

\$1.25

Joseph Cavender

This Declarant is by occupation a farmer, But from disease infirmity and accidents to the injury of his limbs & person he is scarcely able to preserve it, he has no Children living with him, his wife is still living and her prospect of support depends upon upon his bodily Exertions

## NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Chesterfield Courthouse in April 1781 includes the following: Joseph Cavender, age 19, height 5′ 7″, hair dark, eyes grey, complexion fair, farmer, born and residing in Amelia County, enlisted at Mecklenburg County 20 Dec 1779, formerly a soldier in the 15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment for two years.

A document in the file states that Cavander died on 13 Aug 1826.