Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Mason S36064
Transcribed by Will Graves

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James Mason a Citizen of this County and a soldier of the Revolution appeared in Court and produced a Schedule of his property amounting to \$0.75 and having sworn there to it was ordered to be recorded which follows in these words to wit:

Schedule

District of Kentucky Owen County SS

On this 17th day of November 1822 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record (so made by the laws of Kentucky and having the power of fine and in prison month) for said County James Mason aged 95 years resident in Owen County aforesaid being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, that he enlisted in the year 1777 in Captain Fleming's Company in Colonel Heath's Regiment being the 7th Virginia in which he served three years he was in the Battle of Brandywine and was wounded there, that he was regularly discharged from said Regiment, that he is illiterate and did not obtain his discharge in writing that soon after his discharge enlisted again in the 2nd Regiment of Yorkers [sic] in the year __in Captain James Griggs Company in Colonel Peter Gaudivents [?] Regiment in which he served 3 years and obtained a regular discharge therefrom, that he again enlisted at Albany New York in the train of Artillery, Captain Andrew Moody's Company in Colonel Lamb's Regiment from which at the close of the war he was regularly discharged. 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons 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 and by me subscribed

One Knife 0.50
One Tobacco Box 0.25

amounting in the whole to seventy-five cents

S/ James Mason, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing November 11, 1822 for service as a private in the New York and Virginia Continental lines.]

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Addendum to James Mason S36064

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 27 Sep 2020.

[From rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

State of Kentucky

Franklin County Sct

The affidavit of James Mason at the Town of Frankfort on the 4th day of January 1833, in order to obtain the bounty land due to him, from the State of Virginia,

The affiant being of lawfull age and first sworn, saith, that in the year 1776 he enlisted as a regular soldier in the army of the revolution when and whilst he was a citzen of the state of Virginia, for and during the war, under Captain George Fleming in Col Elmores Regment, the 7th Virginia Regment [sic: see endnote] on continental establishment, that he served in said company and rigment during the war – that he was from said service discharged at West Point by a writing, which has been burned up, after having faithfully served out his time of enlistment as aforesaid that he is now in the 106th year of his age, having served [part missing at bottom of page] this affiant states that he has been in Virtue of his services aforesaid placed on the pension Roll of the United States on the 11th day of November 1822 under the acts of congress of 1818 & 1820. the Certificate of which Pension appears to have been given at the war office the 20th of Dec 1822 and signed, J C Caldhoun [sic: J. C. Calhoun], which is now in this affiants possession, he relys therefore upon this certificate and the proof adduced to be placed on the roll as aforesaid, as evidence of his service aforesaid, that he never has received his bounty land due him for his services aforesaid, nor has he transfered his right thereto but now [undeciphered word] the same to be issued to him. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

I authorise Wm. H. Todd to present this affidavit, to the Governor & counsel of Virginia and have issued to me a bounty land warrant and to take the same [part missing from bottom of page] to the Secretary of the treasury of the United States and have issued therefor Scrip, and for me sell transfer or locate the same. this 4th day of January 1833

James his Xmark Mason

March 6 1834 Postponed J.F. [Gov. John Floyd] 1836 May 27 Rejected

NOTE: George Fleming was a Captain in the New York Artillery. Col. Elmore is unknown.