## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Cheney (Chaney) Mitchell S38228
Transcribed by Will Graves

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[p 2] August the 23rd, 1792

This is to Certify that Chaney Mitchel inlisted under me in the third Georgia Rigment for the term of three years which he serv'd faithfully given under my hand the day & year Above writen.

S/ Andrew Jeter, Capt.

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[p 7] Virginia, County of Greensville SS

On this first day of September in the year 1823 personally appeared in open Court Chaney Mitchell aged Eighty years, resident in the said County, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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," that he the said Chaney Mitchell enlisted for the Term of three years on the \_\_day of August in the year 1776 in the County of Brunswick in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Andrew Jeter of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Scriven [sic, James Screven] in the line of the State of Georgia on the Continental Establishment. That he continued to serve in said Corps, or in the Service of the

United States until the \_\_ day of \_\_ in the year 1779 when he will was taken prisoner by the Enemy and severely wounded -- from whom after captivity for 6 months he effected his escape; that he was in the battles of Ashe's defeat, at Brier Creek [Briar Creek, March 3, 1779], at Savannah Town, Fredericka Island, Fort T. Owen on St. Mary's River and Sunsbury [sic, Sunbury] Town, and that he is in reduced Circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support, and that he has no other evidence now in his possession except the Certificate of his Captain Jeter of his said Service, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that he the said Chaney Mitchell did serve in the revolutionary war as stated in the preceding declaration against the common Enemy for the term of nine months at one time on the Continental Establishment and that he needs the assistance of his country for support, the same was ordered to be Recorded and a copy thereof certified to the Secretary of War resort to the directions of the aforementioned act of Congress.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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

S/ Chaney Mitchell, X his mark

A Schedule containing the whole Estate and income of Chaney Mitchell necessary clothing & bedding excepted made this 1st day of September 1823 -- one old Sorrell mare -- one cow & yearling, 6 shoats and one old sow no land or income.

S/ Chaney Mitchell, X his mark

[pp 11-12: In a letter from Mark Alexander, member of Congress from Virginia, to the Commissioner of Pensions, Alexander states "...that his wounds, independent of other evidence, bear ample testimony to his services, one of which, from a bayonet, penetrated entirely through his body. After his enlistment with Jeter, he was transferred to the Company of Gideon or Sidlan [?] Booker [Gideon Booker] and from his advanced age and ignorance, it is impossible to say to what Regiment he belonged at the time of his escape, from the circumstance of his company having been much cut up, & frequently transferred."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 1, 1823, for service as a private for 2 years in the Georgia Continental line.]

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Addendum to Cheney (Chaney) Mitchell S38228

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 14 Oct 2020.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia indexed as Michel, Chany.]

I, John Robinson [R8884] of Virginia and Count of greenvill [sic: Greensville] do hereby certify that I was acquainted with Chany Michel and I bleieve that he enlisted for three years and Searved the Same or more he enlisted under Capt. More or Jeter

John Robinson

Given under my hand this 30<sup>th</sup> day of march 1831.

Senate Chamber./ Ap'l 18<sup>th</sup> 1831.

Captain John Robinson is, I think, the presiding Justice of the County Court of Greensville. I have long known him, and bear testimony to his high character. [undeciphered signature]