Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Fuller S41555

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To the Hon. Secretary at War [17 April 1818]

I Joseph Fuller a soldier of the revolutionary army on my solemn oath do declare and say, That I Enlisted into the army of the US in the Spring of 1776 into Capt Crawford Com'y. (afterwards Colo Crawford) [sic: William Crawford] in the 13th Virginia Reg. Virginia line. I served during the war on the Continental establishment. That I was honorable discharged at the Close of the war, By colo [John] Gibson at Pittsburgh, That my discharge is long since lost. That I never rec'd of the United States nor any one of the States any pension; nor scarcely any of my pay. That I am now seventy five years of age and very Infirm; & That from my reduced circumstances in life I am in need of assistance from my Country for my support.

Pennsylvania } Ss Fayette County } Joseph hisXmark Fuller

Ariah Springer

County of Fayette Pa. ss.

On this 16 day of October 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Cort of Common pleas for the said County, personally appeared Joseph Fuller aged 76 years, resident in s'd County in the said district, who, being by me 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 Joseph Fuller enlisted for the term of three years on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year 1776 in the Spring in [blank] in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Robt Beall & Croford in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Gibson & Croford [one or two illegible words] in the line of the state of Virginia 13th Reg't, on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the Close of the war, when he was discharged from service in the state of Penn'a at pitsburgh that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777], [illegible word], and Mud Island [siege of Fort Mifflin, 10 Oct - 15 Nov 1777] and that he enlisted the second time under Major [Richard] Taylor & Capt [Simon] Morgan and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid. Joseph hisXmark Fuller James Finley

Fayette County ss. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Before me the subscriber one of the justices of the peace for said County personally came Captain Uriah Springer [pension application R10017] of Dunbar township County aforesaid, who upon his solemn oath, deposeth and saith that Joseph Fuller now residing in Franklin township, County aforesaid, served as a private in the Company commanded by Captain Robert Beall belonging to the thirteenth Virginia Regiment, and that he enlisted into said company in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy six, and that he served in said Company two years or upwards

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 14th day of October 1819

Fayette County in the State of Pennsylvania Ss Fourteenth Judicial district [10 July 1820]

Personally appeared in the open court of common pleas it being a court of record now in session in and for the county aforesaid Joseph Fuller aged seventy seven years resident in the said county who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: that I enlisted under Capt. Bell in the 13th Regiment in the Virginia line under Command of Col. Russel [sic: William Russell]. That he served and was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown &c

That the date of my original declaration is the seventeenth day of April AD 1818 and the number of the pension certificate is No 15,444 and that I am the same Joseph Fuller to whom the said pension certificate was granted

Joseph hisXmark Fuller

And now in pursuance of an act of Congress of the first day of May AD 1820 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 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.

2 tin cups	$.12\frac{1}{2}$
1 coffee pot	.25
3 knives and forks	.25
6 spoons	.183/4
1 tin Bucket	.50
1 old chain	.25
1 Old Spinning wheel	1.00
	\$2.561/4

Joseph hisXmark Fuller

That I am by occupation a labourer and that by reason of age and infirmity am totally unable to support myself. That he was a pauper on the township previous to receipt of his pension certificate. That I hav a wife named Susannah aged seventy three years, very weak and infirm. That myself and wife live with my son Shaderick age thirty eight years who has a large family to support by his daily labour

Joseph hisXmark Fuller

[The following is from bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia:]

We Robert Vance and Jacob Springer the former a Captain & the Latter a Leutenant in the army of the united states and in the Virginia Line in the war Between the said States & Great Britian do Certify that Joseph Fuller was a soldier Inlisted in the year 1776 in the 13th Virg'a. Reg't. and that he continued in said service During the war afsd

Given under out hand this 13th day of Nov 1806 we do further Certify that said Fuller Lives near Redstone [now Brownsville] in pennsylvania or Lately did Live there

NOTE: The file includes the following letter to the Pension Commissioner, L. P. Waldo, from Shadrach Fuller of Uniontown PA dated 4 Jan 1854:

"My Father Joseph Fuller a Revolutionary Soldier of the Virginia line and in part I think of the Penn'a. line was placed on the Pension list Roll in the year 1819 I think and drew at the rate of 96 dollars a year – but cannot at present recollect the exact date of his death, but think it was in the year 1820 or 1821. – that he died sometime soon after the first draw. – the widow who was married previous to the close of the Revolutionary War survived my father about five years her name was Susan Fuller formerly Susan Gibson, and my father died leaving four children three older than myself and I am at this time 74 years

old. I supposed my Mother entitled to a Pension from the date of my Fathers death which she has never drew, and I desire to know whether the children and Heirs would not be entitled to draw said arrears of Pension due my Mother in right of my said Father up to the death of my Mother. I have no Record of the Deaths not being a schollar. I think my Father served under Capt John Gibson of the Virginia line mostly stationed at Fort Pitt now Pittsburg, Penn'a. I think my mother drew the arrears of Pension to my Fathers death, but am not certain. Please answer."