

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

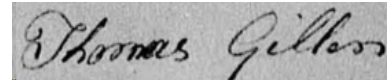
Pension Application of Thomas Gillen S43603

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Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

DISTRICT OF New York, ss.

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for Sullivan County for the said district, personally appeared Thomas Gillen aged sixty one years, resident in Wallkill 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 Thomas Gillen enlisted for the term of three years on or about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year 1776 in Queen Anne County in the state of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain John Hawkins of the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Richardson in the line of the State of Maryland on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the end of said War, when he was discharged from service in Newburgh state of New York, that he was in the battles of Germantown [4 Oct 1777] Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] and the taking of Lord Cornwallis at York Virginia [19 Oct 1781]. That he enlisted before the end of said three years for during the war, and was transferred & served in General Washingtons life guard under Captain William Colefax [possibly William Colfax] 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 power of his said services.



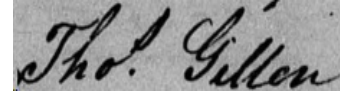
Auditor's Office, Annapolis, Nov'r. 12<sup>th</sup> 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that Thomas Gillen enlisted as a pvt. in the 5<sup>th</sup> Maryland Regiment, on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 78 and was in Jan'y 80 Gen'l's. Guard  
Thos. Karney Aud. S. M.

District of New York Ss      On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1820 personally appeared in open Court in the Court of Common pleas in & for the County of Orange in said district being a Court of Record by the Constitution & laws of said State, Thomas Gillen aged 63 years resident in the town of Wallkill in said County of Orange who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows to wit in Captain John Hawkins Company in the 5<sup>th</sup> regiment of the line of Maryland under Col. William Richardson and was transferred into Gen'l. Washingtons life guard and served seven years two months and fifteen days

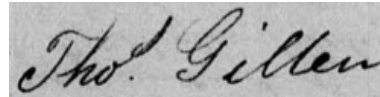
That the date of his original declaration for a pension was on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April AD 1818 and the number of his pension certificate is 15969: And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner 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 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 and I do further swear that I am by occupation a Farmer That I am not able to do more than one fourth part the labour of a common man That my family including myself consists of five members to wit Mary Gillen my wife aged 57 years not able to do more than one fourth part the work of a common labouring woman Nancy Ross my daughter aged 25 years Mary Jane Ross aged 3 years and

Eliza Ross aged about one year The two last being my grand children and left destitute by their father and I do swear that sickness alone has prevented me from making my schedule before and that my circumstances as to property for six months past have not been at any time better than at this date Sworn in open Court this 4th Sept. 1820 before Jas McClintock Dep Clk



Schedule of property debts and credits refered to in the foregoing affidavit

Thomas Gillens property }		Debts due from Thomas Gillen to...
no real or landed property		[list of debts to 20 individuals, totaling \$211.37½.]
1 table	\$3.00	
6 Chairs	1.00	
1 Chest	1.00	
Several Books	2.00	
6 knives & forks	.75	
1 pot & teakettle }		
1 pan & kettle }	2.00	
several plates }		
dishes cups & saucers }	1.25	
2 hogs	7.50	
1 Churn & milk tub	1.00	
Loom & tackling	4.00	
1 Large 1 small wheel	3.00	
1 pair andirons	<u>1.25</u>	
Allowed	\$27.75	



Debts due to Thos Gillen from / none.

State of New York } Ss  
 County of Sullivan } [3 Feb 1830]

I, Thomas Gillen aged seventy one years, do, upon oath, testify and declare, that, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight I enlisted for the term of "during the war," and served in the regiment No. five under the command of Colonel William Richardson of the Maryland line; and that I continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war, when I was regularly discharged from the life Guard of Gen'l. Washington commanded by Captain William Colefax to which life guard I had been transferred

I further declare, that I never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the United States; nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever: therefore, [power of attorney follows]

