Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jonathan Prater S7340

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At a Court held for Franklin County at the Court house on the 5th day of September 1825

Jonathan Praytor of the said County personally appeared this day in open Court being a Court of Record for the said County of Franklin in the State of Virginia aged Sixty Seven years who being first duly Sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary War, as follows,

That he went and engaged voluntarily in the Service of his Country under Captain Robert Adams in a Regiment Commanded by Colo. Charles Lynch, and was afterwards transfered to a company commanded by a Captain whose name he does not recollect, the Lieutenant was named Nathaniel Rice in another Virginia Regiment in another Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colo [Charles] Dabney all continental officers and that he was discharged from the continental service the Spring after Cornwallis surrendered [on 19 Oct 1781] after having served Nine months which discharge he has lost or mislaid. 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 and by me subscribed.

All the property I own is one hog not worth over two Dollars, my occupation is that of a Miller both age and Rheumatic disorder has rendered me weak. I have three in family my wife Sally aged Sixy Six, my Daughter Rachel aged over 21 my daughter Kitty aged over fifteen

Jonathan hisXmark Prater

Virginia Franklin County Sct.

On this 4th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Henry Carper Wm B Williams Moses Greer Jr and Pleasant Dickerson the court of Franklin county now seting Jonathan Prater a resident of Franklin County Va & by birth a Virginian and aged 74 years - who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7^{th} June 1832. That during the revolutionary war about the beginning of he served a tour of three months in a militia company commanded by Captain Adams - he listed for this service in Bedford County and was marched to the lead mines [near Fort Chiswell in Wythe County], in Va there were many others there - the whole were commanded by Colo Lynch - he served the time faithfully and was discharged – he was engaged in guarding the mines from the Indians and Tories — Iles Cooper a respectable old gentleman resident of Franklin County Va was at the lead mines a soldier at the same time and knows of the service performed by this applicant – and to him he refers — This applicant afterwards served a six months tour as a volunteer he entered with Lieut't Nath'l Rice at New London in Bedford now in Campbell County Va and marched to Prince Edward thence to Richmond - at Richmond he was engaged the balance of his time guarding over the magazine and public stores untill he was discharged having served out his term of service he refers for proof to George Simmons of Franklin a soldier with him a part of this tour – during this latter service was under the command of Colo [Charles] Dabney - he believes he was discharged by Capt'n Hambleton/ has lost his discharge & has no documentary evidence

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and He declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Jonathan hisXmark Prater