## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Fleming (Flemming) <sup>1</sup> W646 Mary Fleming f65NC Transcribed by Will Graves 12/28/08 rev'd 2/18/15

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State of Ohio Preble County, Court of Common Pleas September Term A.D. 1832: First Judicial Circuit of the Court of Common Pleas

On this twenty first day of September in the year of our Lord 1832, personally appeared before the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, in and for the County of Preble, in the State of Ohio James Fleming aged seventy years, a resident of the County aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration on oath, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he volunteered in the light horse forces, under Captain James Hall, in Rowan County North Carolina in March, in the year 1779; that they marched from the place where he entered the service, as aforesaid, to Augusta, or near to that place; That they marched from Augusta to Edisto River in South Carolina, just below a place called the Saw Mills, where they joined the Main Army under the Command of General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln]. That the whole body of troops marched from the place last mentioned to Dorchester, South Carolina, where they lay encamped for several days; That they marched under the command of General Lincoln, about the first of May 1779, to the cross roads between Ashley and Stono rivers, where the British had been encamped, and where it was the intention of General Lincoln to attack them. The company to which this Deponent belonged was stationed at said cross roads, for about two months to watch the anticipated approach of General Provost [Augustine Prevost], that he obtained his discharge on the fifth day of July 1779, signed by James Hall, dated at Ashley Ferry which he now produces in Court. During this tour Deponent served upwards of three months.

Deponent further saith, sometime in July in the year 1780 he again volunteered as a light horse militiaman, in a Company of light horse raised by James Morrison, in Rowan County North Carolina, and which made a part of the Army of the Revolution. That Captain Morrison did not take the command of the Company, but that the same was commanded by Captain William Stewart. That the said company marched into Lincoln County North Carolina, into the forks of the Catawba River, to disarm the Tories; from thence they marched to Mecklenburg County, where they were joined [by] Colonel Davie [William Richardson Davie], where they remained marching from place to place until the 17th day of October 1780, when he was discharged, and received a written discharge which he now produces to the court signed by Captain Stewart and Major J. Rutherford. Deponent says that during this tour he was in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BLWt12733-160-55

service three months. And that he served in all upwards of six months, as a volunteer militiaman in the Army of the Revolution -- deponent states that he was born in that part of Rowan County NC which is now included in Iredell County, in the year 1762, that, he has resided in Preble County Ohio, about twenty-five years. Deponent states that he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his services except the aforesaid certificates of his discharge, and he does not know of any witness living by whom he can prove the same. Deponent has no written record of his age. Deponent is well known to Alexander Mitchell and John L. Dickey and others residents of said Preble County, by whom, as he believes he can prove that he sustained a good character for truth and veracity, and that he is reputed and believed to have been a soldier of the Revolution.

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

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ J. G. Hawkins, Clerk

S/ James Fleming

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[Alexander Mitchell and John L. Dickey gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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"I do hereby certify, that James Fleming have taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance and Fidelity, as directed by an Act of General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, entitled "An Act to oblige every free Male Inhabitant of this State, above a certain Age, to give Assurance of Fidelity and Allegiance to the same; and for other Purposes therein mentioned. October 6<sup>th</sup> 1778

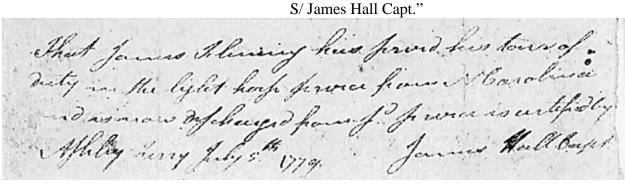
S/ Robt Gallory [?]" DOHEREBY CERTIFY, That hath taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance and Fidelity, as directed by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of South-Carolina, entitled, "An Act to oblige eve-" ry free Male Inhabitant of this State, a-" bove a certain Age, to give Assurance of "Fidelity and Allegiance to the same; and for other Purposes therein mentioned." october 6th 1719 Hold Gallon,

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"That James Fleming has Served his tour of duty in the lyht horse Service from N. Carolina and

is now discharged from sd. Service is certified by Ashley Ferry July 8<sup>th</sup> [?] 1779

S/ James Hall Capt."



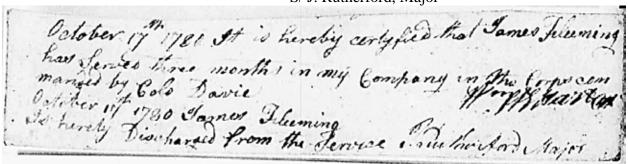
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"October 17<sup>th</sup> 1780 It is hereby certyfied that James Fleeming [sic] has Served three months in my Company in the Corps commanded by Colo. Davie S/Wm Stewart Capt

October 17 1780 James Fleeming

Is hereby Discharged from the Service

S/ J. Rutherford, Major"



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[On June 29, 1853, in Preble County, Ohio, Mary Fleming, 66, made application for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of James Fleming, a pensioner at the rate of \$25/annum; that she married him November 12, 1834; that he died April 13, 1835.

[p 5—record of marriage of James Fleming, Sr., to Mary Johnston on November 12, 1834, in Preble County, Ohio, by Samuel Mitchell, M. G.]

[p 18: On April 9, 1855 in Preble County Ohio, the widow, 68, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner. In this document she states that her name prior to her marriage was Mary Johnson [sic].

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$25 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private of Cavalry in the North Carolina militia for 6 months. His widow was pensioned in a like amount commencing February 3, 1853. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$96 per annum after the Civil War.]