

Pension Application for Joseph Jewell

S.15480

State of Kentucky

Cumberland County Sct

Be it remembered that on this 27th day of December 1832 personally appeared before the undersigned William Spearmon a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Cumberland State of Kentucky Joseph Jewell a resident of the county aforesaid and state of Kentucky aged eighty years the 13th day of October last, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States of America [America] in the month of [blank] in the year 1776 as a lieutenant in the State line of the New York troops he states that he was Regularly Commissioned as lieutenant in said line but cannot at this time state by whom it was signed but positively states that it was signed by the proper authority he was duly qualified to his Commission and entered the service as before states he first commenced in the service as a recruiting officer in Orange County state of New York he recruited 16 men when he received order to march to Fort Montgomery where he was attached to some Continental troops commanded by General George Clinton there was but few troops there at that time he does not recollect the name of any other officer there except Capt Champion he remained there but a short time when he was ordered on to a place then called New City on the Hudson River where he was joined to a large body of Malitia [militia] commanded by Colo Hathorn & Colo Ellison he remained there several weeks when he was ordered to Toppon [Tappan] where he remained and in the vicinity until the spring of 1777 guarding and scouting after the enemy commanded by Major Herring and int he Company commanded by Capt Daniel Wood, they were then marched to a place called the Mary Sinks to Deckers Fort having joined Colo Malcom Ramapo he was at Ramapo attached to Capt Miller[s] Company Capt Wood having at that place quit the army they marched on up the Delaware River to [Nosses?] Fort which was surrounded by the Indians on their march had a Battle with the Indians defeated them went to Fort Released the inhabitants guarded them back to Decker Fort in this tour he had the command of his company his Capt having remained at the fort. He was joined by Capt Country & other troops he remained at Decker's Fort in this tour he had the command of his company his capt having remained at the fort. He was joined by Capt Country & other troops he remained at Decker's fort for a considerable time, when he was marched back to Ramapo then Malcoms head quarters he was often called out on detachment to various points until Cold weather and made their winter quarters at Ramapo which place was considered headquarters until the end of his service he states that from the Spring 1778 until the fall of 1779 he was kept it headquarters under the command of Colo Malcom and the principle duties was marching from place to place guarding various points places and forts to prevent the enemy from committing depredation upon the inhabitants he states most positively that he faithfully served as Lieut as before stated from the summer 1776 until the fall 1779 at

which time he resigned and went home being upwards of three years he further states that many years ago he left his papers with his daughter Catharine Lewis among which was his commission and from strict examination his commission together with many other papers are either lost or mislaid so that they cannot be found altho he has used his best endeavours to find them, he having lost his commission as before stated he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure—Who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a person or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state, he further states that he was born in the state of New Jersey on the 13th day of October 1752 agreeable to the information of his parents which he believes to be true he continued to live in Jersey until about 1772 when he moved to New York where he lived when he joined the army and where he resided until the year 1784 where he moved to Augusta County Virginia where he lived several years then moved to [Bouttertant?] County Virg'a where he remained until 1808 when he moved to Kentucky Cumberland where he now lives he has no register of his age, he further states that he lives upwards of 12 miles from the Court house of this county and that he is now blind and much afflicted that from his bodily infirmity and Blindness he cannot attend Court. (Signed with his mark) Joseph Jewell

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year af'd. Wm. Spearman J.P.

State of Kentucky Cumberland County SS

On this 23d day of January 1834 personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for the County af'd Joseph Jewell a resident of the County and Sate af'd, who being first duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he has theretofore made his declaration for a pension under the act of Congress of June 7th 1832.

That he subsequent thereto made an amendment to which he offers this as a further amendment he states that since making the s'd declaration and first amendment, he has through the aid of friends married the Testamony of Solomon Prewittder of Cumberland county KY, and John Hamilton of Adair County KY proving his services as lieutenant in the War of the Revolution as stated in his former declarations whose affidavits he has procured and are herewith annexed. And he is advised to repeat in more ample from the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department.

1st Where and in what year were you born.

Answer I was born in the thirteenth day of October in the year AD one thousand seven hundred and fifty two in the County of Huntington State of new Jersey agreeable to the information of my parents which I believe to be true.

2nd Have you and record of your age if so where is it.

Answer I have a record of my age as taken from my fathers register tho through mistake it was sit down that I have none in my former declaration.

3rd Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live.

Answer I lived in the County of Orange State of New York when I entered the service and that was my home until the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty four when I moved to Augusta County State of Virginia where I lived several years then I moved to [Bantterland? Note: there is no county in Virginia even close to this name.] County Virginia where I remained until the year one thousand eight hundred and eight when I moved to the State of Kentucky Cumberland County where I now live.

4th How were you called into service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom.

Answer I entered the service as a lieutenant regularly commissioned for that purpose it was of my own seeking and therefore may say as a volunteer I never was drafted nor was I a substitute.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such Continental and militia [militia] regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstance of your service.

Ans. I have several of the officers in my former declaration and in addition I now name Colo Willis [?] and Martin.

6th Did you ever receive a Commission if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it.

Answer I receiv'd a commission regularly signed but cannot now recollect by whom it was signed but know it was signed by the proper authorities some few years ago it was lost in the way I stated in my original declaration.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as an officer of the revolution.

Ans. I have in my former declaration named many and could name others all of whom would speak well of me & their belief of my services as an officer of the revolution subscribed and sworn to the day and year of. (Signed with his mark) Joseph Jewell.

Letter in folder dated August 10, 1931, written in response to an inquiry.

You are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.15480, that Joseph Jewell was born October 13, 1752, in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, where he resided until 1772, when he moved to the State of New Jersey, where he resided until 1772, when he moved to the state of New York.

In July 1776, while residing in Orange County, New York, he was commissioned lieutenant and served as such under Captains Daniel Wood, and Miller, Major Herring, Colonels Hathorn and Allison in the New York Troops, until the fall of 1779, when he resigned his commission. His service consisted in protecting the forts and inhabitants and in scouting against the Indians. He was in a battle with the Indians at Ross' Fort on the Delaware River and at the siege of Fort Constitution on the Hudson.

In 1784 he moved to August County, Virginia where he lived until 1808; then moved to Cumberland County, Kentucky.

H was allowed pension on his application executed December 27, 1832, while living in Cumberland County, Kentucky.

He died August 1, 1840.

A daughter, Catharine Lewis, is referred to, but the name of her mother is not given. The names of no other children appear.