

Pension Application for Samuel Parks

S.32434

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832.

State of Kentucky Breckenridge County.

On this 18th day of November 1833 personally appeared Samuel Parks a resident of Breckenridge County and State aforesaid aged 74 years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year ----(he cannot recollect the date but it was the year of the Battle of Monmouth), & served as a volunteer under Lieut Silas Jarman, he then resided in Dutchess County New York & resided then at the time of his several campaigns hereafter mentioned, this was a party to guard the frontiers. They went across to North River from there to Monbocus? & from there back home this service last, one month & more.

As well as he can now recollect the next year he entered the Service for 3 months under Capt. Jas. Talmage in Col. Hopkins Regiment, we made a trip after the deserters Irabellin? about 30 or 40 miles—through Levingstons Manor & took some Deserters prisoners & returned being in service one month on this occasion.

He thinks the next year (he knows however it was the year Maj Andres was hanged which he witnessed).

He entered the service of the United States under Capt. Marshall for 3 months in the Regular Service he belonged to the [blank] Regiment commanded by Maj. Caughran he thinks Genl Jas Clinton was commander. They first marched from West Point (where he joined the army as a volunteer) marched from there to Peaksville from there to the City of New York & from there to West Point & worked on the Neighbourhood on the barracks some time & was there discharged by Col Vans Cork—this discharge was in writing & for 3 months but which he has lost.

The next year he again entered the service in the same county for 8 or nine months as a militia man under Capt. H. Pauldin under Col. Pauldin, on this company they were employed as Rangers 8 or 9 months & discharged by Capt. Pauldin at MarbleTown, making in all not less than 12 or 13 months actual service.

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

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

He also states on oath that he is very old & his memory is very frail by which he is unable to recollect dates and he has no one in his power by whom he can prove his services except the traditional evidence of Sam'l Frisby & Seth Parks hereto annexed & that he could not procure the attendance of a clergyman who has been acquainted with him in this county and that he has no documentary evidence of his services.

(Signed) Samuel Parks

Sworn & Subscribed in open court.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this 25th day of November 1833, Js. Allen.

Letter in folder dated January 11, 1942, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Samuel Park or Parks who served in captain Talmage's company, Colonel Hopkins' New York regiment, applied for pension in Breckinridge County, Kentucky, whose file number was S.32434, and who, you state, was probably buried in Perry County, Indiana.

The record of Samuel Parks follows as found in the papers of pension claim, S.32434, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

The date and place of birth of Samuel Parks and names of his parents were not stated.

While a resident of Dutchess County, New York, Samuel Parks enlisted in the year of the battle of Monmouth and served more than one month as private under Lieutenant Silas Jarman engaged in guarding the frontiers. He enlisted again the next year and served one month as private in Captain James Tallmadge's company, Colonel Hopkins' New York regiment in pursuit of deserters and took some prisoners. He enlisted in the year Major Andre was executed, being present at his execution, and served three months as private in Captain Marshall's company under "Major Caughran" in the New York troops. He enlisted the next year, date not stated, and served as private in captain N. Pawling's company, Colonel Pawling's New York regiment, length of four eight or nine months.

Samuel Parks was allowed pension on his application executed November 18, 1835, at which time he was aged seventy-four years and a resident of Breckinridge County, Kentucky. He moved from that state about 1842 to Perry County, Indiana where "Most of his children lived". No names of children designated and name of his wife not given.

In 1833, one Seth Parks was a resident of Breckinridge County, Kentucky, and in 1846, one Henry Parks was living in Perry County, Indiana; their relationship to Samuel parks, or to each other, not shown.