

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Cagle R1581

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State of Tennessee County of Warren: SS

On this the 29th day of July 1834, personally appeared in open Court, before the Honorable James C Mitchell now presiding and holding the Circuit Court for the County named aforesaid now sitting Jacob Cagle a resident of the County of Warren and State aforesaid, aged seventy-nine 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 act of Congress passed June the seventh, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That in the month of August 1780, he does not recollect the precise day, he volunteered into the service of the United States for three months. He volunteered in McLinburge [sic, Mecklenburg] County State of North Carolina, rendezvoused at Charlotte or near there to in the Catawba fields which is in South Carolina, he was attached to a company of Rangers commanded by Captain Maxwell he thinks he is given name was James does not remember the name of the Lieutenant. This company was attached to a Regiment commanded by General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] Colonel Fifer [sic, Caleb Phifer] thinks his given name was Caleb, and Major White thinks his given name was James. There was but the one Regiment from the Catawba fields they were marched to Sugar Creek which is as he believes one of the headwaters of the Catawba River, and search of and to keep the Tories in subjection, and then ranged up and down the Catawba River for the distance of twenty or thirty miles for the space of one month at the expiration of which time the Regiment he among others were permitted to return home and stay there until again called out, which he did, and about four weeks afterwards was ordered to join Captain Priler[?]'s Company of Rangers (thinks he is given name was Frederick) at the junction of Buffalow [sic, Buffalo] and Rocky Rivers in North Carolina which he did and was forthwith marched from there down Rocky River and ranged up and down and about the same for the space of one month at the expiration of which time the company were permitted to disperse and return home, and their remained until again called upon to complete their Tours: applicant returned and there remained for some time he thinks five or six months though he does not remember the precise time, when he was ordered to rendezvous at Drowning Creek which he did and was there attached to a company of Rangers commanded by Captain John Cox, from there they were marched to Cumberland County State of North Carolina to the

Big Pedee River and there ranged up and down and about the same for a considerable time to give security to the Country and protect it from the ravages of the Tories during this service they took eight or nine Tories. He was continued in this service until the latter part of the winter or first of the spring of 1781. He cannot from old age and consequent loss of memory state the precise time when his Tour of three months expired. In the last Tripp he served one month and was permitted by his Captain John Cox to return home which he did to Mecklenburg County State of North Carolina. In the is three terms he served at least three months and he thinks the company was raised and up by the order of General Sumter. Shortly after his return home from the last above mentioned Tour, he moved his residence from Mecklenburg to Cumberland County in the State of North Carolina, sometime after fixing his residence in the latter County he cannot from the great length of time and loss of memory state the precise time the militia of Cumberland County were ordered out for three months to reinforce General Green's [sic, Nathaniel Greene's] Army as applicant understood, he applicant was drafted into the service for three months in the County last above mentioned sometime in the year of 1781. He rendezvoused at Cross Creek about ten miles from a little village then of that name, not far from the Cape Fear River, at this place he was attached to a company commanded by Captain __Smith, he does not recollect his given name, nor does he remember the name of the Lieutenant, at this time Colonel Armstrong whose given name as he believes was James was at the place of rendezvous, no other Company were there, the idea of marching this company to General Greene's Army was abandoned for what reason applicant does not know, it was ordered to be and was stationed at the place of rendezvous and there remained for two months employed as Rangers. And were then marched to the Grassey Island on Pedee River a small distance below Colonel Wade's. In going to this place they crossed Drowning Creek, they were employed in ranging up and down the Pedee River for some time and automatically went to Lynches Creek which is in South Carolina but he does not recollect if he ever knew what County or district, here and at this time his Tour of three months expired and he having served at least that time was at this place as he thinks sometime in the latter part of the year 1781 discharge from the service in writing by his Captain Smith. He then returned to his residence in Cumberland County State of North Carolina. This ended his military services. He served in all at least six months.

1. He was born on or near the headwaters of Deep River in the State of North Carolina, he does not now if he ever knew the County, in April 1755
2. He never had a record of his age, he arrives at it from the information of his parents who had.
3. He was living in Mecklenburg County State of North Carolina when called into the service the first time and so continued until that Tour of service was completed, he then moved to Cumberland County State of North Carolina and lived there at the time he was called into the service upon the second Tour of three months. After the revolution was over he moved back to Mecklenburg County State of North Carolina and lived for several years, he then moved to Bunkum [sic, Buncombe] County in the same State lived there several, he thinks eight or ten, years. He then moved to Warren County, State of Tennessee where he now lives and has ever since.
4. The first Tour he served three months and volunteered into the service. The second Tour he served three months and was drafted into the service –
5. Whilst he was in the service in Mecklenburg County some of the regulars came through there. He thinks it was a Pennsylvania Regiment commanded as he now thinks by Colonel Washington, he saw them he does not believe that he saw any other regulars unless Colonel Armstrong or General Sumter were nor does he believe he ever saw any Continental or militia regiments other

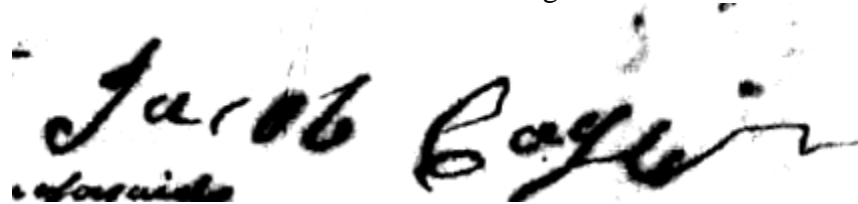
than stated in the body of his declaration nor can any state any more of the general circumstances of his service than he has and the body of his declaration. He is very old, feeble and imbecile in mind, which has greatly impaired his memory, from which circumstance he is unable to give as detailed an account of his services as he otherwise could, the [indecipherable word] he was discharged from the last Tour of three months was about the time the British evacuated Camden, as he now believes.

6. For the first Tour of three months that he served he did not receive a discharge in writing. He did for the second Tour of three months, it was given to him by his Captain Smith, it was destroyed or lost by accident while he lived in Buncombe.

7. There is no clergyman living nearer to him than about ten miles viz. John Walker, he is acquainted with him – He is acquainted with John Rogers, William Dugan, Jesse Savage, Jacob Woodlee and diverse others who live in his present neighborhood and who can and as he believes will testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

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 of any State.

S/ Jacob Cagle

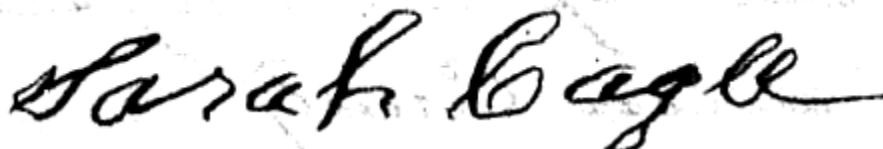
A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jacob Cagle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "J" and "C".

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ P. Henderson, Clerk

[Jacob Woodlee and John Rogers gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 7: on March 9, 1853, in Warren County Tennessee, Sarah Cagle, 76, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Jacob Cagle, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$40 per annum; that he died August 14, 1845; that she married him in Buncombe County North Carolina in 1821 and that she remains his widow.]

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for six months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

[fn p. 17: this file erroneously contains the Bounty Land Record Card of Cornelius Cahail, a private in the Connecticut line, warrant Number 5600 granting him 100 acres issued October 22, 1789 to Theodosius Fowler.]