

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Richesin (Richardson) S4112

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State of Tennessee Monroe County: County Court September Sessions 1832

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Monroe County State of Tennessee, now sitting, James Richesin a resident of said County and State aged 69 years past as he believes, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath take the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That in Rowan County North Carolina where he then resided, he volunteered, under Captain Joseph Dixon or Dickson, other Company officers names not recollected, for 3 months, in the fall of the year, but the year not remembered, and marched to Camden South Carolina, and remained there until term of service expired: then returned home, Sows afterward my father & family including myself removed into South Carolina on Pacolet River, and while residing there joined Captain Prices Company of Spies or Rangers these were mounted troops and were employed in scouring the Country in almost every direction watching and holding the Tories in check and harassing them and the British, he also volunteered to protect Earle's Fort on Pacolet River and spent some time there, but the length of time spent in bees tours and service, cannot now be stated as they are not well remembered. Afterward removed with my father into Burke County North Carolina, and volunteered for a 3 months tour under Captain Smith as well as he remembers and marched to the Head of Catawba River, to Davidson's Fort and were there stationed & frequently scouting & spying through the Indian Country & protecting the frontiers against the Cherokee Indians, until the term of service expired. Declarant believes he received an honorable discharge is for all the aforesaid services, but they are now lost or mislaid, and he has no documentary evidence, nor does he know of any other person by whom he can prove the services aforesaid or any part thereof. He removed about 30 years ago to Grainger County in Tennessee, lived there about 20 years then removed to Monroe County Tennessee where he now resides. 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 any State.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the date first above written

S/ W. S. Callaway, Clk

S/ James Richerson

[Joseph McSpadden, a clergyman, and George Selvidge and Samuel Dawson gave these standards supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for Monroe County

and the Court of pleas and quarter Sessions of said County, James Richeson, a citizen of said County who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of all his services or tours, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For 3 months under Captain Dixon I served as a private -- for 3 months under Captain Smith I served as a private -- and for such service I claim a pension. That this declaration is made in amendment of his Original declaration made in & before the Court of pleas and common Sessions of Monroe County Tennessee on the 17th September 1832, and returned numbered 12,475 from the office of Pension claims of the War Department for amendment.

Sworn to & subscribed this 16th May 1833 before me

S/ Tho. J. Caldwell, JP

S/ James Richeson

[fn p. 18: letter dated December 28, 1842, posted from Pond Creek, Monroe County Tennessee by James Witten and addressed to the Commissioner of pensions contains representations by the writer that he has been requested by the widow of James Richardson to procure her pension as his widow; the writer states that he thinks James Richardson died in January 1838; and states that he was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum; the widows name is not given in this letter.]