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Cordill, James

S. 30,344

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See N.A. Acc. No. 874

*No. 050 034 ~~Net~~ Half Pay
James Cordill*

Kentucky 25005

James Cordill

of Perry Co in the State of Kentucky
who was a private in the com commanded
by Captain Morgan of the regt commanded
by Gen Sherman in the Militia
line for 6 months

Let to Hen. of Sept. 24. 1836
do. to 3^d Aug. 28 July 1843

Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky
at the rate of 21 Dollars — Cents per annum.
to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 7th day of Nov
1833 and A. Patrick. R
Patrick Saltworks

Arrears to the 4th of Sept 30 —
Semi-ant. allowance ending 4 March 10 —

\$60 —

{ Revolutionary Claim,
Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by *Danl Boyd* Clerk,
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State of Kentucky Perry County Act

On this 12th day of Aug. 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of Perry County now sitting James Cordile a resident of said County and State aged 80 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 7th 1832

That he entered the service of the United States shortly before Gen^l. Gates defeat at Camden S.C. as a Volunteer for three months in Wilks County North Carolina where he lived in Capt. John Morgans Company in Col. Ben Horns Regt. in the line of the State of N.C. From Wilks he marched to the mouth of Rocky River then back to guard the frontiers of Wilks against the Tories & Indians & after serving out his term aforesaid he was honorably discharged at the mouth of Rocky River in Wilks County N.C. by Col. Noah who then commanded the Regt. shortly after Gates defeat. On this rout he does not remember any regular Officer - Some time before the Battle of Kings Mountain he again volunteered for three months in Wilks County where he lived in Capt. Saml. Johnsons Company Col. Cleavelands Regt. in the line of the State of N. Carolina his Maj. was Allen He marched from there to Kings Mountain and was in hearing of the Battle but in the fool party just reached the Battle in time to receive the prisoners as they were taken - He remembers to have seen Genl. Shelby & Genl. Campbell. He was marched back to Wilks as a guard of the prisoners when

after serving out his term of service he was
honorably discharged by Col. Cleveland in Wilks
County N.C. He was born in Lunenburg County
Va. He has long since lost his discharge -
He lived in Wilks County N.C. when he served in
the War each time; since the Revolution he
lived in Wilks & for years past in Kentucky where
he now lives. He recollects Gen. Green Gen. Gates
& Gen. Rutherford - 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 nor has it ever been sworn to & subscri-
-bed the day & year aforesaid
James Cordill

Stephen Cordill of Perry County State of Ky.
on Oath in Open Court declares that he is the
Brother of the above James Cordill and that he
knows of his person all knowledge that he served
as by him described in his aforesaid Declara-
-tion being himself a soldier with him
Stephen Cordill

Roger Turner resident of the County State
aforesaid aged 74 upon his Oath in Open Court
declares that he knows of his own knowledge
that James Cordill served a tour of three
months as described by him above to Kings
Mountain and that he has always known
him to be a man of good reputation &
a man of truth
Roger Turner

We Daniel Duff a Clergyman ^{Benj Webb & Elijah Combs}
residing in the County of Perry State of Kentucky
herely certify that we are well acquainted
with James Cordill who has subscribed and
sworn to the above declaration that we be-
lieve him to be 80 years of age; that he is
reputed & believed in the neighborhood where he
resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution
and that we concur in that opinion

Sworn & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Danl Duff

Elijah Combs

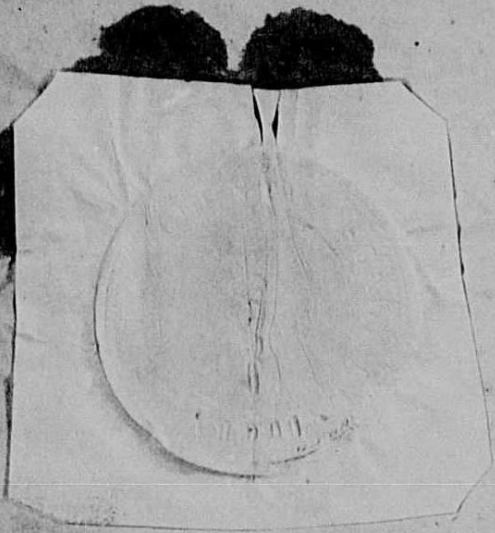
Benj Webb

And the said Court do herely declare their opin-
ion after the investigation of the matter and after
putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War
Department that the above named applicant
was a Revolutionary soldier and served as he
states. And the Court further certifies that it ap-
pears to them that Daniel Duff who has signed the
preceding Certificate is a Clergyman resident in
the County of Perry and that Elijah Combs ^{and} Benj Webb
& Stephen Cordill & Roger Turman
has also signed the same is a residents in the
same & is a credible persons & that their statement
is entitled to credit.

I Jeph Combs Clerk of the County Court of the
County of Perry ~~County~~ State of Kentucky do herely
certify that the foregoing contains the original
proceedings of the said Court in the matter
of the application of James Cordill
for a Pension In testimony whereof I have

herewith set my hand and seal of Office
this 12th day of August 1833

Deje Combs
Clerk of the Perry County Court



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No 18477.

James Cordill
Perry County
Kentucky

10, 11, 12, 16
from - private
6 months
\$20.

Alex: Patrick

~~E. Smith~~
Patrick's Salt Works
Mount Vernon
Kentucky

BRIEF in the case of *James Cordell*
of *Serry County* **in the State of** *Kentucky*
 (Act 7th June, 1832.)

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *a Court*
2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?
3. How old is he? *80*
4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

Period.	Duration of Service.			Rank.	Names of General and Field Officers under whom he served.
	Years,	Months,	Days.	As a	Gen.
<i>(as a volunteer)</i> <i>Enlisted</i> <i>Vol -</i> In 17		<i>6</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>Private</i> "	<i>Capt. Morgan, Col. Fern -</i> <i>" Johnston " Cleveland</i>

5. In what battles was he engaged? *None*
6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *Wilks County N. C.*
7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditional evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *Living Witnesses - Traditional evidence*
8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect? *No County Seal*
- The papers not attached as regulations require

I Certify that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

Oyer Caslor Examining Clerk.

Rev. and 1812 War Section.

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class

January 27, 1926

L. W. Fields
504 Fayette Bank Bldg
Lexington, Ky.

Sir:

I have to advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S. 30344, it appears that James Cordill was born in Lunenburg County, Virginia, date not stated.

While residing in Wilks County, North Carolina, he served as a private in the North Carolina Troops, as follows-

From "shortly before Gates Defeat at Camden", three months in Captain John Morgan's Company, Colonels Ben Hern and Noah's Regiment. Soon after he served three months in Captain Samuel Johnson's Company, Colonel Cleaveland's Regiment, and guarded the prisoners taken at the battle of King's Mountain.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 13, 1833, while a resident of Perry County, Kentucky, aged eighty years. It is not stated that soldier was married.

Respectfully,

WINFIELD SCOTT
Commissioner.

L. W. FIELDS

LAWYER

504 FAYETTE BANK BLDG.
LEXINGTON, KY.

December 15th, 1925.

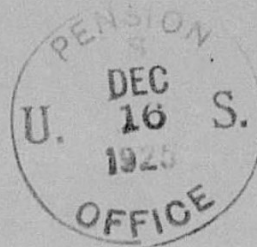
Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.,

Dear Sir:-

It is my information that my remote ancestor, James Caudill was drawing a pension for services as a revolutionary soldier in Perry County, Ky. as late as 1840. He came to Kentucky from North Carolina. Will you please give me whatever information your records show in regard to his services?

Yours very truly,

L. W. Fields



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Rey INVALID.

File No. 30,344

James Cordill

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[Arrangement of 1870.]

1926 - June 27 - H. W. H. to E. W. F.aldo awf.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, }
Fayette County, } Sct.

BE IT KNOWN, That before me, *James L. Hickman*
a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared
James Cordell and made oath, in due form of Law, that he is the identical person
named in an original certificate in his possession, of which (I certify) the following is a true copy:

WAR DEPARTMENT—REVOLUTIONARY CLAIM,

I CERTIFY, That in conformity with the Law of the United States, of the 7th of June, 1832, *James
Cordell* of the State of *Kentucky* who was a *private*
in the Army of the Revolution, is entitled to receive *Twenty*
Dollars per annum, during his natural life, commencing on the 4th day of March, 1831, and
payable semi-annually on the 4th of March and 4th of September in every year.

{ Given at the War Office of the United States,
{ this *17th* day of *Novem.* 1833

Exam
Examined and
Countersigned
J. L. Edwards
Cov. of Pensions

Geo. Casper
Secy of War

that he now resides in *Perry Co. Ky* and has resided there for
the space of about 24 years past; and that previous thereto he resided in *North Carolina*

Sworn and subscribed this *17th* day of
Septem. 1835 before me,

James L. Hickman J. P.

James X Cordell
mark

NOTE.—The above deposition must be signed by the deponent Where the pension has been increased, since the
certificate has been given, the Magistrate will note that fact.

BRIEF objections to the admission of Pension Claims, of which those answered in the negative, in red ink, will apply to the claim of which require further proof or explanation.

James Cordill

- I. Does the declaration show where the applicant resides?
- II. Did the declarant make the declaration in the county where he resides?
- III. If the applicant did not make the declaration in the county where he resides, is there any reason assigned for his not doing so?
- IV. Has the declarant mentioned the period or periods of the war when he served?
- V. * Has he mentioned with precision the length of his service, and the different grades in which he served, in language so definite as to enable the department to determine to what amount of pension he is entitled?
- VI. Has he given the names of the officers under whom he served, in conformity with the regulations?
- VII. Has he made a relinquishment of every claim to any other pension than the one under the Act of June 7, 1832?
- VIII. Has the Court given their opinion?
- IX. Has the Clerk given his certificate?
- X. Is the Clerk's seal affixed? And if so, has it a device or inscription by which it can be distinguished from any other seal? *No*

XI. Has the applicant obtained the evidence of a clergyman and another respectable citizen as to their belief respecting his age and the general belief in his neighborhood relative to his revolutionary service? *No*

XII. If the clergyman's affidavit has not been produced, is there any reason assigned for not obtaining it?

XIII. If the applicant has no documentary evidence, and has not obtained the testimony of at least one living witness, has he stated in his declaration that such proof cannot be had?

Living Witnesses

XIV. † If the applicant's name is not found on the rolls of military service, has he produced a witness or witnesses as to his service?

If he has produced direct proof as to service, has the magistrate who administered the oath, certified to the credibility of the witness or witnesses?

Has the proper officer certified to the official character and signature of the magistrate as the regulations direct?

XV. Does it appear from any of the papers that the witness was in such a situation, or of such an age, as to have a personal knowledge of the applicant's service?

XVI. ‡ Are the papers authenticated as the regulations direct? *No*

XVII. Are the seven interrogatories prescribed by the War Department answered satisfactorily? And, if not, which of them is not so answered?

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

* QUERE V. In a case where the applicant cannot, by reason of the loss of memory, state precisely how long he served, he should amend his declaration by making an affidavit in the following words:
 "Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace, &c. A. B. who, being duly sworn, deposed and saith, that, by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades; For _____ year _____ months, and _____ days, I served as a _____; For _____ months and _____ days, I served as a _____; and for such service I claim a pension.

It is important in all cases to determine with precision the period for which each applicant served, and the particular rank he held, as the law directs the pension to be paid according to the grade of the pensioner and the length of his service. The use of the phrase *about three or four months* is too indefinite, and all such qualifying expressions are objectionable. Some persons who apply for pensions merely state they served two years in the militia, &c. without specifying the tours; the names of the officers, and other particulars respecting their service. This form of a declaration is highly objectionable. It must in every case be clearly shown under what officers the applicant served; the duration of each term of engagement; the particular place or places where the service was performed; that the applicant served with an embodied corps called into service by competent authority; that he was either in the field or in garrison; and for the time during which the service was performed, he was not employed in any civil pursuit.

†**QUERÉ XIV.** *Proof of Service.*

In a case where the name of the applicant is not found on the records of the Department, he must prove his service by two credible witnesses, who are required to set forth in their affidavits the time of the claimants entering the service, and the time and manner of his leaving the same, as well as the regiment, company, and line to which he belonged. The magistrate who may administer the oaths must certify to the credibility of the witnesses, and the official character and signature of the magistrate must be certified by the proper officer, under his seal of office.

†**QUERÉ XVI.** *Mode of authenticating papers.*

In every instance where the certificate of the certifying officer who authenticates the papers is not written on the same sheet of paper which contains the affidavit, or other paper authenticated, the certificate must be attached thereto by a piece of tape or narrow ribbon, the ends of which must pass under the seal of office of the certifying officer, so as to prevent any paper from being improperly attached to the certificate.

☞ In every case where the clerk of the court, or other certifying officer, has no public seal of office, the certificate of a member of congress, proving the official character and signature of the certifying officer, should accompany the papers.

Northern Bank of Kentucky
Lexington Sept 14th 1836

Sir

Herewith you will please receive the application of John Combs a pensioner on the roll of this Agency for a new certificate (also the proof of the Identity of James Cordell, Stephen Cordell, & William Cornett, who have not received their stipends for more than two years. I also enclose the letter of Mr. A. Patrick to Mr. Devos. Most of the facts stated in that letter with regard to the three last named persons are known at this Agency. John Combs is a pensioner under Act 18 March 1818 at \$8 per month. The three last named persons under Act of June 1832.

Should a new certificate be granted to John Combs please enclose it to Mr. A. Patrick, Patrick's Salt Works, Perry county Ky

I am very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Jas. Tilford Pres

By
Jas. Milton Clerk

J. S. Edwards Esq
Commissary of Pensions
Washington
D.C.