

## **Pension Application for Joseph Griffin**

S.2581

The State of Ohio

Meigs County SS

Meigs Com Pleas, July Term AD 1832.

On this thirty first day of July AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Court of Common Pleas for said County (it being a Court of record so constituted by the Constitution & laws of the State of Ohio) now sitting, Joseph Griffin a resident of Chester, in the County of Meigs & State of Ohio, aged seventy two 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 7<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated, to wit.

In the month of April A.D. 1779 this deponent being then a resident of Saratoga Albany County (now called Easttown Washington County) N.Y. was at that place drafted to serve in the militia for the term of nine months under Capt. John Chipman in the Regiment commanded by Col. Seth Warner which officers this deponent believes belonged to the Continental establishment—the names of the other officers not recollected—that soon after the draft he joined the Regt at Fort Edward N.Y. the precise day not recollected & continued to serve at that place during the nine months, & was discharged in January 1780—although the company belonged to the Regt of Col. Warner he was not at that post during the term of deponent service—

That in the month of July 1780 this deponent believes on the 6<sup>th</sup> July at the same place he was again drafted to serve a tour of three months in the militia under Capt. Adiel Sherwood & Lieut Cornelius Robinson—that sd Company was placed under the Superintendence & control of Capt. John Shipman he being a Continental officer commanding at an adjoining post & soon afterwards marched to Fort Ann where he continued to serve until the 2d day of October following when we together with the whole company to which he was attached was taken prisoner & the other company commanded by Capt. Shipman was also taken prisoners after a severe engagement at Fort George on the next day & all were taken prisoners to St. Johns & from thence to Montreal where this deponent, with all the company, except the officers prisoners of war until the close thereof.

This deponent states that he has no documentary evidence of his services—that he never rec'd any except at the close of his first tour he rec'd an order on the Pay master for the amt due him for his services but as Continental money was then of little value he did not apply for payment & lost his certificate while he was a prisoner in Canada & that he knows of no person living whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name if not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.  
(Signed) Joseph Griffin

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. M. Bosworth, Clerk