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BRIEF in the case of *Nathan Spence*
of *Gwinnett Co.* **in the State of** *Georgia*
(Act 7th June, 1832.)

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *Court*
2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?
3. How old is he? *39 years*
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.		
<i>In 1776</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>7 or 8</i>	<i>5-16 or 17</i>	<i>Private</i> <i>Do</i>	<i>Col. Polk</i> <i>Col. Cowthry</i> <i>Major H. Stearns</i>

5. In what battles was he engaged? *None*
6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *Hert Co. Delaware*
7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditionary evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *Traditionary*
8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect? *Correct*

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

Joseph Rowen
Examining Clerk.

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State of Georgia) Know all men by these
County of Hancock) presents that I Nathan
and State aforesaid) Spence of the County of Hancock
Nathan Spence late of Walker County in said State
deceased for divers good Causes and Considerations
his heirs and assigns have made ordain constituted
and appointed and by these presents do make ordain
Constitute and appoint M. Thompson Esq of the City
of Washington D C my true and lawful attorney
for me and in my name to prosecute a claim against the
Government of the United States for a revolutionary
pension for the service of Nathan Spence a Soldier
of the revolutionary War and to receive a Certificate for
said pension if any should be due and to do
and perform every thing concerning the same as fully
as I myself might or could do were I personally present
at the doing thereof ratifying and confirming whatever
my said attorney shall do by virtue thereof

Witness my hand and seal this 17th day of
May 1852
Taken and acknowledged Nathan Spence
in presence of mark
Henry J. Cornett

State of Georgia) On this 17th day of May
County of Hancock) 1852 Personally appeared
over

State of Georgia Superior Court ^{October} ~~September~~ 1832
Gwinnett County, on this ^{10th} ~~11th~~ day of ^{October} ~~September~~
1832 Personally appeared in open Court, it being a Court
of Record, Isaac Spence a resident
of the said County of Gwinnett & State of Georgia aged
Eighty nine years who being first duly sworn according ^{to Oath} ~~to Oath~~
on his oath make the following declaration in order to
obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June
4th 1832 That he entered the service of the United States
under the following named officers and served as herein
stated. That he entered the service on the County of
Kent & State of Delaware wherein he then resided
and owing to his very infirm age cannot recollect the year
or date but is pretty certain that he was called in to
service about 3 weeks after Philadelphia was
taken by the British. under Captain Samuel
Marris & Lieutenant Wm Stanton attached to Major
Stoutons Battalion & Colonel Mm Polk's Regmt
and for a term of 12 months was under those
officers as a kind of Minuteman against the
Tories some times was out with them for six weeks
at a time at other calls four weeks & at other times
not so long that during that year commencing
at the time first mentioned, he is certain that he
served as much as 4 or 5 months principally
against the Tories served as a Spie for his said
Colonel Polk when ever called on which was
very often he thinks that his services as above
was rendered in 1777 & 1778 afterwards called into
the service under Captain Jonathan Brady
& said Major Stanton & Colonel Cowdrey in
the same kind of service & in the same place
just above mentioned & continued in the service
untill Peace was made with the British
and he is of opinion that he must have served
as much as 16 or 17 months under those officers
was as a Minuteman & as a Spie for Col
Cowdrey when ever he called on him which was
very often that he was ~~very often~~ discharged
from each of his towers of duty, which was
many, by his officers but have lost or

Mislead so that he cannot find them that the foregoing several services was rendered by him in the said state of Delaware & under the before mentioned officers. That since the Revolutionary war he has resided first in the state of Delaware & County of Kent from there he came to the state of North Carolina & County of Guilford from thence to the state of Georgia & County of Guinnett where he now resides — and that he has no documentary evidence whereby he can prove his services: and that he knows of no person now living whose testimony he can procure that will establish the same: 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

Sworn to & subscribed
the day & year aforesaid
in open Court
(Attest) Wm. Mallie Clk.
Nathan Spence
& marks

Georgia
Guinnett County } We Mitchel Bennett a Clergyman
and state aforesaid and John Lawrence residing
in the same, hereby testify that we are well
acquainted with Nathan Spence who has subsc.
ribed and sworn to the above declaration that we
believe him to be Eighty Nine years of age
that he is reputed and believed in the Neigh^hhood
where he resides to have been a soldier of the
revolution & that we concur in that opinion

Sworn to & subscribed
the day & year aforesaid
in open Court
(Attest) Wm. Mallie Clk.
Mitchel Bennett
John Lawrence