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State of Tennessee, Roane County: October sessions of the County Court, 1832

On this 24th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before William B. Clark, John Catron & William Galbreath, Justices, now sitting it being a court of Record having a clerk and seal William Boyd a resident of the county of Roane & State of Tennessee aged 71 years the 15 of March next 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 under the following named officers and served as herein stated, applicant resided in Orange County, North Carolina when he entered the service of the United States. Applicant entered under Captain John Walker for the term of six months as a private. Applicant was attached to the 2nd Regiment commanded by Colonel Alfred Moore. Applicant was marched from Orange County to Wilmington where he was stationed for the term of six months. Applicant was in an engagement at Moore's Bridge [Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge] on a small river called Black Water against the Tories; that Caswell [Richard Caswell] was a militia general who commanded at the engagement; that after the engagement applicant was marched back to Wilmington where he remained until he was discharged. Applicant then went home then moved to Mecklenburg County where he remained until he volunteered under Captain John Merritt Alexander for the term of three months, was attached to Colonel Franklin Lock's & General Griffith Rutherford's Regiment. Applicant was marched from Mecklenburg through Burke County, then cross the mountains at the head waters of Swannanoa [River] into the Cherokee country, traversed the Cherokee country, burnt the lower towns, middle towns and many other small towns belonging to the Indians, had a small engagement between the said towns with the Indians & killed a good many Indians, after routing and subduing [them], was marched back to Mecklenburg County where he was discharged after serving three months as volunteer. Applicant then moved to Surrey County, where he volunteered for six months under Captain William Shipton in the regiment commanded by James Shepherd & General Rutherford; was marched from Surrey County to Savannah Town in South Carolina, from there to the magazine on Savannah River where applicant was stationed for the balance of the six months, was then discharged by Captain Smith. Applicant then went home to Surrey County where he remained a short time, then volunteered again for three months under Captain Joseph Bland; was attached to the regiment commanded by Col. Blanchard & then joined General Campbell [William Campbell]; was marched to King's Mountain, North Carolina [sic, South Carolina], where they had a severe battle, defeated the army and took them practically all prisoners. That Maj. Good also was one of the commanding generals, applicant then was marched to the Moravian Town, with the prisoners and there stationed until applicant was discharged after serving three months, then went home to Surrey County where he continued to reside about 4 years; then moved over on Holston [River] Tennessee where he staid a short time; then moved back to North Carolina Rowan County where he remained about one year; then moved to Lincoln County, N.C. where he resided about 2 years; then moved to Buncombe County, where he resided about three years; then moved to Anderson County, Tennessee, where he resided about 8 years; then moved to Warren County, Tennessee, resided in said county about 2 years; then moved to Jackson County, Alabama where resided one year; then moved back to Warren, remained there about 6 months; then moved to Roane County where he has resided ever since. Applicant was born in Orange County, North Carolina in the 1761. Applicant [served] in all a 12 months as a militiaman besides 6 months as a regular. Applicant has no documentary evidence of his service as he has long since lost his discharge, nor does he know of any person living by whom he can prove his service. Applicant states that Jessie Mitchell, Morris Mitchell (who is a minister of the gospel but applicant could not get him to court), George W. Duke, John Prichett, Drury Smith, Elijah Mitchell & Stephen Mitchell are neighbors of applicant who could testify that applicant is a man of veracity; that he is entitled to credit and that they believe that he served as a soldier in the revolution in the manner as above stated. Applicant has no record of his age,

but knows it from the account that his parents gave him.

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 other state. Sworn to in open court October 24, 1832.

S/ William Boyd

[Elijah Mitchell and Talifaro L. Ferguson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 4: on April 23rd, 1847 in Roane County Tennessee, Nancy Boyd, filed a power of attorney in which she has states that she is the widow of William Boyd, at revolutionary war pensioner. The power of attorney was filed to collect the balance of the pension due her husband at the time of his death on September 4, 1846.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 18 months service in the North Carolina militia as a private.]