On this 25th day of October A.D. 1855, personally appeared before Hon. John Cowgill judge of the Common Pleas Court in and for the County and State aforesaid, Jacob Grider a resident of Putnam County & State aforesaid, aged ninety three years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th A.D. 1832, or any other act subsequent thereto, granting pensions to Officers and Soldies of the Revolutionary war. That he served as a militia rifle man in the Company commanded by Captain Michael Coger, in a regiment Commanded by Col. Andrew Lewis. He further states that he was mustered into service at the County of Rockingham in the State of Virginia on or about the middle of September A.D. 1781, and marched thence to Williamsburg, thence to York, at which place he remained about three weeks, during the siege of York, after which he was marched back to Winchester in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia, and was honorably discharged verbally by Colo. [Samuel] Vance of the State of Virginia on or about the first of November 1781, making in all a service of over two months.

He further states that he has never received a pension under this or any other Act, nor made any formal application therefor. He relies on the records of said war for any other facts on the subject, as he knows of no living witness by which to prove them. Jacob hisXmark Grider

NOTE: The pension law of 1832 required at least six months service.