Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Rose R9006 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Kentucky Jefferson County: SS

On this 7th day of January 1833 personally appeared in open Court in the County Court of Jefferson County Kentucky now setting John Rose a resident of the United States & the County & state aforesaid aged seventy-two years last January 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 to wit – That he entered the service of the United States on the 3rd day of May 1783 and left the service the 3rd of December following and served seven months during which time he served as a guard to the frontiers on the Monongahela River and had our head quarters some time at Hannah Town and afterwards at Faith Creek and was employed in ranging through the frontiers of Pennsylvania but from the long lapse of time & cannot now recollect the names of the officers under whom he served. He afterwards moved to Kentucky and again entered the Service under the command of General George R Clark [George Rogers Clark] on the 6th day of October 1786 and was commanded by Captain James Patton Bland W Ballard Lieutenant & Joseph Hunter Ensign and continued in the service this time forty days leaving the service the 16th or 17th of November 1786 in this company we marched from the falls of Ohio now Louisville in Kentucky through the now state of Indiana some distance above Vincennes where the Army turned back that on reaching Vincennes or a few days after to wit on the 20th or 21st of November 1786 he enlisted as a private soldier under Thomas Mason Captain Jennings Lieutenant Lavender Ensign for the term of one year but was discharged sometime in the last of August 1787 serving only nine months and was engaged in building a Fort at Vincennes and guarding the same & the Town of Vincennes. That he afterwards on the 2nd day of May 1788 enlisted & served six months as a private Ranger under Captain Ballard Smith Lieutenant Reuben Easton & Ensign William Cristy and were stationed at Goose Creek in the County of Jefferson and now State of Kentucky and were employed in ranging through the frontiers of this state and sometimes to the Territory of Indiana as far as the waters of White River. That he has no documentary evidence of his discharge & never had any and that he can prove his service in part by William Tyler & Edward Tyler and such part as she cannot prove by them he does not now know anyone by whom he can prove it. 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 or Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Rose, X his mark

We Edward Tyler who is now sixty-six years of age and William Tyler who is now seventy-seven years of age both residents of Jefferson County Kentucky do certify that we are and have been for many years past acquainted with John Rose who has signed the above declaration, and that

his statements are to be relied upon. He having always been Considered a man of truth we know that he entered the Service of the United States in the year 1786 and we believe that it was the 6th day of October as he states in his declaration and that he served in that time forty days and the said Edward Tyler states that he was a messmate of said Rose during about twenty days of said time – We further certify that we often heard said Rose speak of services rendered by him at Vincennes and on the Monongahela River and have no doubt he performed 3 tours as he states, but we have no personal knowledge of such Services – William Tyler states that sometime in 1788 he believes in Made the said Rose entered as a Ranger for the term of 6 months & that he served out his time. Said Edward know there was such company of Rangers as mentioned by said William & who were stationed on Goose Creek Jefferson County Kentucky and believes said Rose was one of them & that he served out his time but cannot at this time be entirely certain.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court the day & year aforesaid.

Questions by the Court

Where and in what year were you born?

Ans. I was born in East Jersey on Rockaway River in the year 1760.

Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it?

Ans. I have at home a record of my age sent to me by my Father since I moved to this State. Where were you living when called into service? Where have you lived since the revolutionary war, and where do you now live?

Ans. When I first entered the service I lived on the Monongahela River in the State of Virginia near to Washington's bottom, and have lived in Jefferson County Kentucky since the revolutionary war and that I lived in said County and State when I entered the Service of the United States the second time, and live in the same County & state at the present time – How were you called into service, were you drafted: did you volunteer or were you a Substitute, and if a Substitute for whom?

Ans. I always entered the service voluntarily and was never a substitute –

State the names of some of the regular officers where you served, who were with the troops such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your services?

Ans. The first tour of seven months I served a private soldier as guard to the frontiers of Pennsylvania but cannot now recollect the names of my officers. The second tour I served as a private soldier under General Clark, and the other officers named in my declaration. I believe General Clark was a regular officer but whether the other officers were regular or militia officers he cannot say, and as I was always on the frontier we never had any other Regiment as I now recollect but the one to which I belonged and If it was known by any particular name or number I never knew it. I was mostly employed in building forts in ranging through the County to protect the frontier settlements.

Did you ever receive a discharge from the service & if so where is it?

Ans. I never had a discharge in writing.

State the names of the persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify as to your Character for veracity and their belief of your services as a Soldier of the revolution?

Ans. Rev. Michael Miller, Edward Tyler, William Tyler, James Pomeroy, Joseph A. Swny, Geo. Seaton, Jas. More, Colo. Geo. Smith, Worden Pope, William Rhea, Genl. Robert Breckinridge &c &c