Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Shuttle R9556 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Indiana County of Decatur: SS

On this ninth day of November in the year 1835 personally appeared in open Court before the Probate Court of Decatur County Indiana (the said Court being a court of record, and so constituted by law) now sitting, John Shuttle a resident of the Township of Adams in said County of Decatur and State of Indiana, aged eighty-one years on the 10th day of last September 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 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he volunteered and entered the service of the United States, for three months, about the last of March in the year 1775 at New London Bedford County and State of Virginia (where he then resided) under Captain Jacob Moore, Lieutenant Amos Galloway and Ensign Pleasant Moore. That he marched from the last named place, under said officers to Richmond Virginia where he joined a Regiment under command of Colonel Thomas Saunders – that he was stationed at Richmond under said all officers for the term of three months, at the expiration of which time he returned home to New London Bedford County Virginia, about the first of July in the year 1775, having served at least three months in said tour.

That he was drafted for six months, and entered the service of the United States under Captain Robert Adams and Lieutenant Ansel Linch [probably Anselm Lynch] and Ensign Thomas Ranolds, on or about the 1st day of August in the year 1775 at Bedford County Virginia; where he then resided, that he marched from thence to Petersburg Virginia under the said officers, at that place he joined a Regiment under Colonel Charles Linch [Charles Lynch], that he was stationed at Petersburg Virginia for six months under the command of said officers, That the Object in being stationed at said place was to guard the place and keep the enemy from landing = that at the expiration of said last named time he was discharged from service and returned home on or about the 10th of March in the year 1776 having served the last mentioned tour at least six months. He received no written discharge from service. That he was drafted for three months, and entered the service of the United States under Captain Robert Adams Lieutenant Thomas Murray Ensign Thomas Runnels on or about the first day of July in the year 1776 at Bedford County Virginia where he then resided. That he marched from thence under said officers to Norfolk Virginia and there joined the Regiment under the command of Colonel James Callaway - that he was stationed at Norfolk Virginia and under said officers for three months, at the expiration of which time he returned home to Bedford County Virginia on or about the 10th of October in the year 1776. That the object in being stationed at Norfolk Virginia was to guard the place and keep the enemy from landing – that he served at least three months in said last named tour – that in the whole he served in the militia as above stated at least twelve months =

That he enlisted for five years, in Army of the United States in New London Bedford County Virginia, where he then resided on or about the 1st day of November in the year 1776 with Captain Alexander Cummin he s and served in the __ Regiment of the Virginia line under the following named officers, that is to say Colonel Robert Irish, Captain Alexander Cummins, Lieutenant Thomas Runnals & Ensign Joseph Leftridge. That he was engaged under said officers at the United States Armory then at New London Bedford County Virginia in making and repairing United States arms until on or about the first day of February in the year 1781 at which last mentioned time he marched under Captain James Adams, Lieutenant Thomas Murray and Ensign John Morrison in a Regiment of Riflemen commanded by Colonel Charles Linch to Guilford Courthouse in North Carolina and there about the first of March in the said year joined the American Army under the command of General Green [Nathanael Greene] that he fought at the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Linch, in the month of March in the said year of 1781 at that Battle of the American Army was commanded by General Green and the British Army by Lord Cornwallis. That on or about the first of April in said year he marched back under Captain James Adams to New London Bedford County Virginia and was then engaged in the United States Armory at making and repairing arms until November in the year 1781 at which time his time of service having expired he was discharged. That he received a discharge from Colonel Charles Linch; but has lost it. That he was robbed of his chest at Washington County Virginia and lost his discharge together with all of his important papers. That he cannot remember the number of the Regiment in which he enlisted, he, however, well recollects it was commanded by Colonel Robert Irish = That he was born in the County of Hunterdon in the State of New Jersey on the 10th of September in the year 1754 then in the year 1760 he removed with his father to Bedford County Virginia that he resided at Bedford County Virginia till the year 1806 in which year he removed to Washington County Virginia where he resided to the last of August in the year 1834 at which time he removed to the County of Decatur and State of Indiana where he arrived on or about the last of September in the year 1834 and where he now resides – that he recollects his age from having seen a record thereof made by his father in a book then belonging to his father who is now deceased – that said book had a record of his age is now in possession of his sister in Campbell County Virginia. That he knows of no witnesses now living by whom he can prove his services = that he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or 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

S/ John Shuttle, X his mark

[Benjamin Gosnel and Jacob Tranbarger gave the standard supporting affidavit.]