Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel White S1268 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Kentucky County of Jefferson: SS

On this 6th day of June 1833 Daniel White personally appeared before me Samuel D Vance an acting justice of the peace in and for the County of Jefferson & State of Kentucky, the said White being a resident of said County & State aged eighty years old on the 16th day of March last past, 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.

That he enlisted in the State of Virginia in the County of King George as a minute man for the term of twelve months in the fall of the year in which Norfolk of Virginia was burned by the British – under Captain John Taliferro [John Taliaferro] our Lieutenant was named Thomas Grant & our Ensign was named Stephen Hansford. That we rendezvoused at a place called Dangerfield's old Field and disciplined [?] twenty days & were then dismissed to hold ourselves in readiness for further orders. In the early part of the following spring we were ordered to rendezvous at Fredericksburg Virginia where we drawed burnting [?] sheets [?] & arms &c and marched from that place to Williamsburg Virginia Captain Francis Connoway [Francis Conway] my former Captain being promoted, where we remained some six or seven weeks and done a great deal of hard work making breastworks under the order of Colonel Skinker [John Skinker] under the personal superintendence of Major Andrew Bohannon or Buckhannon, we there received orders about dark by express from General George Weedon to march to Hampton a small town on the Chesapeake which place the British were then cannonading at which place we remained until our time expired and were then & there discharged in writing signed by Major Buckhannon (as he now thinks) – and was in actual service in that year not less than nine months.

This applicant states that he lived in the northern neck of Virginia and from the peculiar situation of that part of the Country the British shipping came up frequently and committed depredations by burning the warehouses & tobacco &c and that he frequently served as a militia man; at one time he was with troops encamped at a place called Boyds Hole seven or eight weeks and at another place called Hunters Heights we were encamped six or seven weeks; we were encamped three or four weeks at a place called Jarret Hoes Ferry [?] on the Potomac River, one Captain was by the name of Benjamin Johnson. We were called into service by the orders of General George Weedon through Colonel John Skinker and Major Andrew Buckhannon and would continue in service until the British shipping would disappear from our waters. This service was required of us during the whole time of the war – We were in actual service nearly two thirds of our time.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to any pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state. That he has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Daniel White

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for Jefferson County Kentucky duly commissioned and sworn as such Daniel White who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades; For not less than nine months I served as a minute man as a private soldier. For two months I served as a militia man as a private soldier at a place called Boyds Hole. For two months I served as a militia man at Hunters Heights as a private soldier. For one month I served as a militia man and a place called Jarrets Hoe's Ferry as a private soldier; and for such service I claim a pension.

Given under my hand and seal this 6th day of June 1833.

S/ Samuel D Vance, JP

Question 1st Where and in what year were you born? Answer – I was born in King George County in the State of Virginia in the year 1751

Question 2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it? Answer. I have none in writing.

Question 3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live? Answer – King George County Virginia and 43 years ago I removed to Jackson County Kentucky where I have lived ever since and do now live. Question 4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom? Answer I entered voluntarily.

Question 5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service. Answer. I have given as full a statement in my declaration as my recollection enables me.

Question 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it? Answer. I received a written discharge which was signed by Major Buchannon, which has been lost.

Question 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution. Answer: Reverend Samuel E Blackburn, John Berryman, Lee White, Nathan Marders [?], Honorable John Speed, William Pope, Worden Pope, Samuel Churchill, Henry Churchill & many others.

[Samuel E Blackburn, a clergyman, and Nathan Marders [?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$42.44 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for one-year & 20 days service as a private in the Virginia service.]