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Pension application of John Bone S14981

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State of Kentucky County of Muhlenberg

On this 30th day of July 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the Court of said County now sitting John Bone, a resident of the County of Muhlenberg and State aforesaid aged sixty-nine years, 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 last of June 1780 and served against the Tories on the forks [of the] Yadkin [River] State of North Carolina but does not recollect the time he was engaged & served this Tour. From Gates defeat to some time in May 1781 he served in the North Carolina militia for 3 several Tours of 3 months each. The first Tour was under the following officers to with James Byers Captain Gilli Nail Lieutenant Robert Martin Ensign John Silliman Sergeant, John Silliman Junior Sergeant William Loughery Sergeant. He served the second three months in the North Carolina militia under Samuel Reed Captain John Lucky & himself were sergeants, names of the other officers of his company not recollected. In this Tour he was engaged in a skirmish with the Tories at Colston's,¹ General Davidson commanded there & was wounded. And in another skirmish with the British at Cowans Ford Catawba River General Davidson commanded & was killed.² The other 3 months same service he was under Captain Graham & Lieutenant John Purviance – the other officers of his company not recollected. In this last service had a skirmish with the British on the Reedy fork of Haw River. And afterwards was at the Battle of Guilford³ where General [Nathanael] Greene commanded as Major General Colonels Locke & Williams.

After the above service he served 10 months in North & South Carolina and Georgia under General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter], Wade Hampton Colonel William Alexander Captain Daniel Carter first Lieutenant Forge Snoddy second Lieutenant & was in several skirmishes one at Dorchester and another at McCord's ferry⁴ on Congaree [River]. He states that he fully completed his several terms of service and was regularly discharged, but that he has lost

¹ Sic, Colson's Mill. July 21, 1780. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/colson.htm>

² February 1, 1781. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/cowansfd.htm>

³ March 15, 1781.

⁴ Possibly a reference to the action at McCord's Ferry on August 3, 1781. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/mccordsfy.htm>

his discharges and has no documentary evidence of his services whatever and that he knows of no person now living whose testimony he can procure who can testify as to his services, that he was a volunteer from Rowan County North Carolina. He states that he was born in York County Pennsylvania on the 19th September 1762, moved to North Carolina Rowan County 1765 remained there until 3rd September 1783 and in the year 1785 removed to the Western Country & settled in East Tennessee where he continued until the year 1789, when he removed to Madison County Kentucky & there remained until the year 1811 [could be 1810], when he removed to Orangeburg his present place of Residence. He has a record of his age and the family Bible.

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 State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ John Bone

[Isaac Bard, a clergyman and Hugh Bone (a resident of Hopkins County Kentucky) gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$68.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 16 months service as a private and 3 months service as a Sergeant in the North Carolina militia.]