Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elijah Stout S15662 Transcribed by Will Graves f10VA 5/2/12

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[Note: The digital images of this application are extremely faint and compromise. Use the following transcript with more than the usual circumspection.]

State of Kentucky Spencer County: SS

On this 14th day of January 1834 personally appeared before me Samuel Marshall [?] Justice of the Peace in and for Spencer County and one of the Judges of the County Court of said County Elijah Stout aged 91 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

This declarant states that he was living in Culpeper County State of Virginia when he entered the service of the United States and served as herein stated and under the following named officers; that in the year 1780 in the month of September a draft was ordered under which he was drafted for a tour of three months, he states that he rendezvoused at Culpepper Courthouse and was thence marched under Captain John Waugh Major Jack Roberts [?] and Colo. Jemmason [?Jamison] – he states that he under the command of the officers marched from Culpeper Courthouse to Fredericksburg upon the Rappahannock River and after remaining there a short – he states that they were thence ordered and marched to Richmond where they encamped for some time thence to Petersburg where he remained until his said three months expired when he was discharged by his said Captain Waugh sometime in the month of December 1780. He also states that in the month of May 1781 he was again drafted into the service for a tour of three months and rendezvoused at Culpepper Courthouse and was marched from that place under the Command of Captain John Jamieson under he thinks Colonel Jamison and Colonel William Staunton the name of the Major he does not remember to the lower parts of Virginia he states that the British had disembarked from their shipping and were marching into the country when the Regiment to which he belonged were compelled to retreat up into the country he states that they were forced from Petersburg up as high as Orange and Albemarle Counties he states that during their retreat into the Country that one of the waggoners that had charge of some Baggage was taken sick when Colonel William Staunton took him from the ranks and set him to driving the wagon in which employment he continued till his term of service expired when he was discharged in July by his Captain Jamison and returned home, he further states that early in the month of August 1781 – that another draft was ordered when nearly all of the men in the County were drafted for the purpose of taking Cornwallis. He states that he was a 3rd time drafted for a tour of 2 months and marched under Captain James Tutt and joined Washington's Army at Norfolk thence they marched to Yorktown where he was stationed [?] until his 2 months expired. The Army under Washington being reinforced Captain Tutt's men were discharged and I received

my discharge – about the 1st of October 1781 from Major Pendleton and returned home. He states that from old age he is [balance of interlineation too faint to discern] that he has no documentary evidence of his service but he is able to prove that he did render the service stated in his declaration by a respectable living witness. 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.

Subscribed and sworn to this day and year aforesaid.

S/ Elijah Stout, X his mark

S/ Samuel Marshall, JP

I Ann Vandyke adduced certify that I was living in Culpeper County State of Virginia during the revolutionary war and in the neighborhood of his lies just out who has sworn to and subscribed the above declaration and have a perfect recollection of the 3 tours which he served as stated in his declaration.

S/ Ann Vandyke, X her mark

Interrogatories put by the Magistrate

Quest When and in what year were you born

Ans. I was born in New Jersey Huntington County in the year 1743 Quest – Have you any record of your age and if so where is it (Ans) My age was recorded in my Bible but lately it has been destroyed. (Ques) Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the revolution and where do you now live. (Ans) I was living in Culpeper County State of Virginia when I entered the service. Since the revolutionary war I lived in Culpeper County Virginia until 1798 I then moved to Scott County Kentucky where I lived until 1802 – I then moved to where I now live in Spencer County Kentucky (Ques) How were you called into the service were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a Substitute and if a Substitute for whom (Ans) I was drafted for 3 tours one of 3 months another of 3 months and a 3rd of 2 months. (Qus) State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served as such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect, Ans, General Washington, General Wayne and General Lafayette. Colonel Jamison and Colonel Staunton regiments of militia Qus) Did you ever receive a discharge and by whom was it signed – Ans. I did receive 3 written discharges handed to me one by Captain Waugh, one by Captain John Jamieson and one by Major Pendleton which discharges I have lost long since.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the Virginia militia.]