Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John McNabb S16466 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Kentucky Caldwell County: SS

On this first day of October 1832, personally appeared before John W. Marshall a Justice of the peace for Caldwell County and one of the Justices of the County Court of said County which is a Court of record, John McNabb a resident of said County and State aged Eighty-four 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 under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he was drafted into Service in Camden District South Carolina in the year 1779 about the first of February for a term of duty of two months and ten days under Capt. William Byers, Major Ross [Francis Ross] Col. Thomas Neal [sic, Thomas Neel] in the brigade was commanded by General Andrew Williamson, and was at the battle of Bryar Creek [sic, Briar Creek, March 3, 1779] in Georgia, and was discharged at General Williamson's headquarters near Augusta Georgia -- That he volunteered in November after the fall of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] and served a tour of duty against the British and Tories of about one month and was attached to Capt. Hanna's [Robert Hanna's] Company Col. William Bratton, his Lieut. was Samuel Stevens. He again volunteered in the April following under the same company officers, and was at the surrender of Fort Granby [May 14, 1781] on the Congaree River and was discharged sometime in the June following having been in service about two months. That he again entered the service about the first of February thereafter under John Hood Lieut. and Capt. Adam Meek and was stationed at Orangeburg South Carolina until sometime in April when he was dismissed the service. The last three terms of service was performed under the command of General Sumter [Thomas Sumter]. That he never received written discharges and if he did they are lost -- that he has no documentary evidence of Service and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. That he was born in the year 1748, that he has a record of his age, but it is now in the State of Tennessee. That he was born in the State of Pennsylvania, that he was living in South Carolina at the time he was called into service, and that he has lived in South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky since the Revolutionary War, that he was drafted or classed, then volunteered and was afterwards classed or drafted and that he did not serve as a Substitute. That he knew General Gates [Horatio Gates] & General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]. That he is known to Major Abraham Boyd and his sons and many others in his present neighborhood who can testify as to his character of veracity and their belief in his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

I hereby relinquish 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 and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John McNabb

[William McNabb and Benjamin Essman [?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.

Benjamin Esman

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the South Carolina militia.]