Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Roberts S17061 Transcribed by Will Graves f21VA [NC] 7/6/12

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State of Missouri County of Cole: and SS

service as a private in the Virginia militia.]

On this 29th day of January 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judge of the Circuit Court of said County of Cole now sitting, John Roberts a resident in the said County of Cole and State of Missouri aged seventy-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 was born on Pike Creek in the State of Meriland [Maryland] in the year 1758. He has no record of his age; He lived in Rowan County State of North Carolina when he was called into service; and since the revolutionary war he has lived in North Carolina, Kentucky, then in the State of Missouri, and now lives in the County of Cole and State last aforesaid, He volunteered when he entered the service. He volunteered in or about the year 1777, and served in Captain William Bailey Smith's Company who was authorized & raise said company by authority from the State of Virginia where said Smith resided and under him marched against the Indians to a Fort at or near a place called Boonsborough [Boonesborough] in the State of Kentucky while there he had no general engagement with the Indians but frequently had skirmishes with them, and at the time he volunteered as aforesaid, he did so for the term of twelve months and after serving seven months at and about said Fort he with three others was detailed to guard their Captain back to the State of North Carolina; and afterwards received a discharge from the said Captain for a twelve months term of service, which said discharge was burnt with and in a house of this applicant's. He hereby relinquishes every claim 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/ Jason Hardison, Clerk S/ John Roberts

[William Brown and Benjamin Amos, both clergymen, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for