Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Bartholomew Stoval [Stovall] S1878 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee Sumner County: November Term 1832 of the County Court of said County

Be it remembered that upon the 14th day of November 1832 appeared in open Court Bartholomew Stoval a citizen and resident of the County of Sumner aged seventy-three the 23rd of August last having a register of his age now in his possession who being first duly sworn he makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. -

He entered into the service of the United States under the following officers and served as herein stated – He was born in the County of Bedford Virginia and resided there when he entered the militia service by draft in the month of August or September 1777 for a tour of three months I was attached to Captain John Talbot's [probably John Torbert's] Company an express arrived that the British were about to land at Little York and we were ordered immediately to march for the lower counties – we left Bedford marched to Williamsburg – one other Company marched with us from Bedford I think commanded by Captain Leftridge [probably William Leftwich] – from Williamsburg we marched to Little York – we found the British fleet lying off at Little York commanded as I understood by Admiral Parker. I think Colonel Holcome [Holcomb or Holcombe?] commanded the forces at Little York being a regular officer commanding some regulars who were there when we arrived. The British did not disembark. I continued to do service here till my term of service expired & the British fleet having born off I was discharged I think in the month of November 1777. I then returned to Bedford County – Sometime in the month of January 1781 I was again drafted into the service of said County under Captain Thomas McRanolds [Thomas McReynolds] for a like tour of three months – we marched from Bedford to Petersburg and stayed there for some time and then marched to Cabin Point low down in Virginia at this place I got crippled in one of my legs and my ankle was badly put out of place and was unable to walk for some time and at this place I gave James McRunolds \$1500 to take my place in the Company I when I got able to return did return to Bedford County. I was in the service about two months before I got injured. I consider myself to have served the three months tour but have given the facts of this service that the department may judge for themselves.

In the month of June 1781 I was again in Bedford County drafted into the service for a three month tour under Captain William Trigg as well as I recollect and I think Captain Poindexter [Joseph Poindexter] commanded a company from the same County we marched to Richmond then marched on till we came to Mobing Hills [Malvern Hills] near James Town we here joined the American troops we were commanded by Colonel Halcome I think and were attached to General Lawson's [Robert Lawson's] Brigade I frequently saw him and knew him like [likewise I] new [knew] General Lafayette who was commander in chief and like [likewise I] new [knew] General Stephens [Edward Stevens] who commanded our Brigade like [likewise

I] new [knew] Colonel Richardson who was in Stephens Brigade and was killed at old Williamsburg – we lay here to watch the movements of the British – we then marched to the North towards Fredericksburg – our orders were countermanded that Corn Wallis [Cornwallis] was marching towards Little York – and I having served out my full term of three months I was discharged. I never received any written discharge we were always discharged by the Company

My service in the revolutionary war was nine months as herein stated – I lived in Bedford from my birth till the year 1804 when I moved to Sumner County Tennessee and have their resided since –

He hereby relinquishes all claim to a pension or annuity except the present and that he knows of no one living except Mr. Wrenney Cruise whose forther [father?] I served with 2 towers [tours] – who testimony I can procure to prove my service and I have no documentary testimony of my service – and he 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/ Bartholomew Stoval

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In answer to the 7th question prescribed by the war Department Bartholomew Stoval states that he is well known by Wrenney Cruise, Sanford Fitts and Fleming Thurman his neighbors who can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my service as a soldier of the Revolution. The reason why he has not obtained the affidavit of a clergyman is this – He lives 13 miles from court. He applied to Mr. Sanderlin a Minister in his neighborhood who could make the necessary affidavit but could not get him to come to court in consequence of his keeping a school and he did not wish to give any offense to his employers by being absent. Sworn to in open Court November 14th 1832 S/ Bartholomew Stovall

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Wrenney Cruise being first duly sworn saith that he was born on the 7th day of February 1767 in Bedford County Virginia – and that he lived at his father's in said County during the service of Bartholomew Stovall in the militia. I know that he said Stovall did serve two tours with my father in the revolutionary war – I saw him go into the service and frequently heard my father who is deceased talking particularly of his said Stovall's service I have no doubt he did serve as he has stated in his declaration which I have heard read. I would give Mr. Stovall full credit upon his oath & he is respected and believed to be a soldier of the revolution in the neighborhood in which he resides.

Sworn to in open Court 14th of November 1832.

S/ Wrenney Crews

[Sanford Fitts and Fleming G. Thurman gave the standard supporting affidavit. Thurman signed

his name "Goulbesberry Thurmond"]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]