Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Casper Plyley S19033

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For the purpose of obtaining the benifits of the act entitled an act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th day of May 1828 I Casper Plyley of Ross County State of Ohio farmer do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental Army of the Revolution for and during the war, and continued in its service untill its termination, at which period I was a private in Captain Claypoole's company and marched with the company to Yorktown Virginia, and after the taking of Cornwallace or Cornwallis [Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781], was [illegible word] & served the remainder of my service in Captain Stattsberry, or Stautsbury, and I believe his name was John [John Stotesbury, pension application W105] and I enlisted in July or August 1781 and marched as above and went in said last company to the South and remained with the corps and in consequence of sickness was left behind the Company, and had when I recovered to go, after I got home in Franklin County Pen'a. to said Captain under whose command I was then resident of New Jersey not far from Easton on the Jersey side of the Deleware [sic: Delaware River] near Iron works the County I cannot tell, and procured from him my discharge and immediately went to the war office in Phi'a and obtained a certificate, and believes he left the discharge there on getting that certificate – that certificate I afterwards sold for a trifle, and have no paper now in my possession of my Captain, or of my service in the Army of the Revolution. I declare the reception of said certificate, but the import of it now I cannot recollect, but presume it was one issued according to resolve of Congress of 1778. I also declare that I was not on the 15th day of May 1828 on the pension list of the United States and never have been on any pension roll of any State or the U.S.

Witness my hand this 23^d day of June 1828.

[Certified by Jacob Wider and Henry Plyley.]

Received this returnd, on the 1st August and by Examining yours of the 22ⁿ July it appears that we have neglected to communicate the name of the Colonel &c I the within named Casper Plyley belonged to the Second Pennsylvania regiment (and commanded by Colonel Craigue or Gragg [sic: Thomas Craig] as well as my recollection serves me) and belonged to the Pennsylvania line.

I am Sir very Respectfully yr mo Obedient St

NOTE: The file contains a letter dated 27 June 1829 by Casper Plyley with the return address of Poplar Ridge. On 27 June 1829 Henry Plyley and Christinia Plyley certified Casper Plyley's service. P. G. Plyley of Poplar Ridge was Casper Plyley's attorney on 23 Sep 1845.