

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Charles McMannis S2807

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State of Ohio, Brown County

On this 24th day of July 1832 personally appeared before the court of Common Pleas of the county of Brown and State of Ohio Charles McMannis a resident of Jackson township in the county of Brown and State of Ohio aged seventy years past 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 in the month of September 1778 his father and family were driven by the Indians from their dwelling on the frontier settlement of the Western part of Pennsylvania and took shelter at a station called Legonier Garrison in Westmoreland county Pennsylvania under the then command of Capt. Samuel Shannon who the spring following left the Garrison which was afterwards commanded by Capt. Robert Knox, Lieut. Edward McDowle [or McDanele] and Ensign James Clifford that he continued in said Garrison and performed his duty as a Militia soldier for about twelve months although at the commencement of his service he was only in his sixteenth year he drew his regular rations and monthly pay from Thomas Galbreath who was a commissary. He is unable to state whether Colonel Charles Campbell, Col. Gibson or Col. Broadhead had the command of said station - but he thinks it was under the command of a Pennsylvania officer as it was in that line the service was performed.

He further states that in the summer of the year 1780 he enlisted at Legonier garrison with Capt. Thomas Campbell for the term of nine months in the army of the United States and served in the ninth attached to the thirteenth regiment in the Virginia line on Continental establishment - said Regiment was commanded by Col. John Gibson, Lieut. Col. Campbell Major and other officers not recollected - the Officers in Capt. Campbell's company were Lieut. John Cummings, Ensign George Cohoun first Sergeant Morris Roach, 2nd John Crow, 3rd Abner Meek, 4th not recollected. Shortly after his enlistment said company consisting of sixty four privates and their officers were marched to and stationed at Fort Crawford situate on the Allegheny river about eighteen miles above Pittsburgh where they remained about five months when said company returned to Pittsburgh where they remained nearly all winter when they marched to Hannahs town [sic, Hannastown], Pennsylvania and about the first of April in the year 1781 he received a regular discharge from his captain which has been lost or mislaid.

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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court.

Charles McMannis, X his mark

S/ James Finley, Clerk

I, James McMannis, a resident of Brown county Ohio hereby certify that I am well acquainted with my brother Charles McMannis who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration that I believe him to be seventy years of age and I further state that from personal knowledge I do believe that the said Charles McMannis did perform twelve months service at Legonier Garrison as stated by him having myself served with him more [illegible word] under the same officers named by him as above. He further states that he enlisted in the Continental service at the same time with his brother in Capt. Campbell company and Col. Gibson's regiment and knows of his own knowledge that he did perform the services in the manner and for the length of time above stated by him.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court 21st July 1832.

S/ James Finley, Clerk

S/ James McMannis, X his mark.

The State of Ohio, Adams County

Personally appeared Before the Subscriber an Acting Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid William Thomas aged 107 years who being duly sworn according to law Depose and saith that he is well acquainted with Charles McMannis that in the year 1780 he saw him in the Regular Service of the United States in the Company Commanded by Captain Thomas Campbell in the Regiment Commanded by Col. John Gibson in the 13th Virginia Regiment that from Circumstances related by said McMannis he does hereby Believe that he performed a nine Month Tour as an Enlisted Soldier under the above named officers in said line That said McMannis was Honorably Discharged at Hannastown in the Spring of 1781.

S/ William Thomas, X his mark

Sworn to and Subscribed this 21st day of September 1833 before me. S/ Robert Pence, J. Peace

State of Ohio Brown County

Personally came before the subscriber one of the associate judges of the court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Brown aforesaid Charles McMannis who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his declaration made in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th June 1832 that under his first engagement under Capts. Shannan and Knox he served twelve months - said company was attached to Col. Daniel Broadhead's regiment in the Pennsylvania line he cannot state under what division of the army Broadhead's Regiment was attached to.

That under his second engagement in Capt. Thomas Campbell's company in Col. Gibson's Regiment he served as an enlisted private soldier for nine months.

He is unable from loss of memory to state the names of any other officers under whom he served.

Answer to 1st Interrogatory. He was born in York county Pennsylvania in the year 1762.

Answer to the 2nd. He has a record of his age which is in the possession of his son John in the State of Indiana.

Answer to the 7th. I am known to Samuel Cooper, Esq. Thomas Sargeant [could be Largeant], William White, John Knox and Robert Shaw who can testify as to my character for truth and veracity.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of October A.D. 1833.

S/ Charles McMannis, X his mark

S/ David Johnson, Associate Judge