Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Thompson S36828 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Commonwealth of Kentucky Nelson Circuit Sct.

13th Judicial District SS

On this 23rd of September 1822 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record because its judgments and orders are Directed by the laws of Kentucky to be made a record of and preserved, John Thompson aged sixty-five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 that he the said John Thompson enlisted for the term of three years on the ___ day of ___ in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Charles Poterfield [Charles Porterfield] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Daniel Morgan in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in the said Corps until ___ day of ___ he was discharged from the said Service in 1779 in the State of Pennsylvania – That he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October four, 1777] and Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said Services except his Oath –

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

One horse worth \$20 – six hogs worth \$13 two cows worth \$18 one calf worth \$5, one young colt worth \$20 that my occupation is that of a Farmer and that I am illy able to follow it that I have a wife aged forty-five years and two children living with me to wit John Thompson aged eighteen years and James Thompson aged fifteen years that John Thompson is a sound health youth and James Thompson is very unhealthy

S/ John Thompson, X his mark Sworn to and delivered this 25th day of September 1822 before me in Open Court

S/ James Slaughter, Judge

I do hereby Certify that John Thompson who holds this Certificate March from Winchester in Virginia in the Spring 1777 in Captain Charles Porterfield's Company and served as a Soldier in that Company in the 11th Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colonel Daniel Morgan as I served

f14VA 12/6/11 in the same Company and Regiment and was with him in the Battles at Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth. I can certify to the fact, I also declare on oath that I am no way interested in Thompson obtaining a pension.

S/ John Collett¹ m fillet

State of Indiana Harrison County: SS

Be it remembered that on this 3rd day of March 1824 Before me William Truitt a Justice of the peace in and for said County personally appeared William Madden² who after being duly sworn deposeth and saith, That he is acquainted with John Thompson that he knew him before and during the Revolutionary War – that he served in the Virginia line and was commanded by Colonel Daniel Morgan as a Soldier – and further I said Madden do most solemnly declare on oath that I am no ways interested in said Thompson's obtaining a pension and further this deponent sayeth not.

- Milliam Madden

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing March 1st 1823 for service as a private for three years in the Virginia Continental line.]

¹ FPA W3003

² FPA W9902