Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Stukebery [Stukesberry] S39094 f34VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 5/24/12

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State of Tennessee Campbell County: At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, the same being a court of record, begun and held on the first Monday of September 1818, at Jacksborough [Jacksboro] in the County aforesaid, personally appeared Jacob Stukesberry, a citizen and resident of Anderson County in the State aforesaid, aged about sixty-three years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, upon his oath makes the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by an act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States during the Revolutionary War"; namely, that he, the said Jacob Stukesberry enlisted in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia as a soldier of the Revolutionary war, in the company commanded by Captain William Frost in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Dan Morgan [Daniel Morgan] of the Virginia line, that said enlistment took place sometime in the spring of 1776, the precise time not now recollected, and was for the term of three years, that he continued in the service of the United States under said enlistment for the full term thereof, when he was discharged from service, a little below Richmond, and from Muhlenberg's brigade to which he belonged; that during said enlistment and service he was crippled by a wagon running over his hips; that he has no other evidence in his power of his said services; that he considers himself to be in reduced circumstances and entitled to the benefits of the aforementioned Act of Congress, having no lands and but little other property; one horse, seven or eight head of meat cattle and thirty or forty hogs, all amounting in value to know more than that about the sum of \$200.

That he never was in any way a pensioner of the United States or of any State; hereby relinquishing all pretension to any such claim, except under present application; and that his discharge is lost.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this 8th of September 1818 S/ Jos. Hart, Clerk
S/ Jacob Stukebery

Schedule

State of Tennessee __ County: SS April Sessions 1821

On this 9th day of April 1821, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, (having the power of fine and imprisonment and also having been made a court of record by the laws of said state) for the said County, Jacob Stukesberry aged 67 years, resident in the County of Anderson aforesaid, who, being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he

Jacob Stukeberg

served in the revolutionary war as follows: That he served 3 years as a Waggoner in the Revolutionary war for one of the Virginia Regiments belonging to Muhlenberg's Brigade. That he is now a pensioner under the Act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and his pension certificate is of No. 5303 –

And 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

14 head of hogs worth	\$14
2 cows & calf 1 heifer 1 bull	27
2 cows & calves to heifers & 2 calves	26
1 mare & colt	90
2 Pots 1 Kittle 2 skillets	5
3 Chairs & two knives & forks	7
	\$163

his wife is aged 55 years but unhealthy; has a son aged 17 & healthy, one other aged 14 & healthy – one daughter aged 14 being twins, the girl very unhealthy – Has 2 grandchildren 87 and 8 years old – That he is a Tanner by trade but from infirmity unable to labor.

Sworn to in Open court signed Jacob Stukesberry

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State of Tennessee Knox County: Be it known that before me James Dardis a Justice of the Peace for the County of Knox aforesaid personally appeared Jacob Stukesberry of the County of Anderson and made oath that he was an enlisted soldier of the Revolutionary war in the Regiment or Brigade commanded by General Morgan. That he was enlisted by Captain Frost as well as he now remembers, that he was made a Wagon Master or driver by General Morgan shortly after enlisting and continued to drive a Continental team during the term of his enlistment – That he drew pay, rations and clothing as a soldier and received \$10 as a Bounty when he enlisted, that he drove General Morgan's Baggage Wagon a portion of his term of service. That he was set apart to drive a Wagon from the circumstance of his having been a Waggoner before he enlisted.

Sworn to & subscribed before made this 28th of December 1821 S/ James Dardis

S/ Jacob Stukebery

State of Tennessee Anderson County

On this 6th day of August 1838 personally appeared before the worshipful the County Court of Anderson County Jacob Stukesberry a resident Citizen of Anderson County and State of Tennessee eighty-five years of age 20th May 1838 who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 with Captain William Frost and served in Colonel Edmondson's Regiment the number he does not recollect of the Continental line with Colonel Morgan, Colonel Edmundson,

Captain Frost and Lieutenant Abraham Anderson. He left the service of the United States in September 1781 after the Battle at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], he resided in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia at the time he entered the service of the United States he was not in any Battles as he was taken from the ranks of his company and put to driving one of the Baggage Wagons & teams in marching to the place of rendezvous which was at Berry's [?] Ferry on the Shenandoah River in the State of Virginia. They marched in Company with General Muhlenberg's Brigade at the place of rendezvous, one of the Baggage Wagons was without a driver. General Morgan told Said Stukesberry that if he would drive said wagon and team [several indecipherable words] that he would get another hand to drive, he lived near General Morgan the General knew the said Stukesberry to be a good hand to drive a wagon for this reason he insisted on him as the person to drive said wagon and team said Stukesberry accordingly took charge of said wagon and team and drove the same to a place called Brumsick [? Brunswick?] as he believes in South Carolina where he was [indecipherable word or words] to quit [?] the wagon and Return to his company again [indecipherable word] in fact did refuse to drive further which was Reported to General Morgan who ordered him to continue and drive the wagon or he would punish him immediately the said Stukesberry then took charge of said wagon and team and continued to drive the same in the service of the United States until sometime in September 1781 he the said Stukesberry states that if he had been permitted to return to the ranks of his said Company he would he expects have been in the Battles at the Cowpens January 1781 in which Tarleton was defeated, at Guilford in North Carolina March 1781, at the Battle of the Eutaw Springs September 1781, from the great lapse of time he does not recollect the various Countries through which he marched he continued in the service of the United States as aforesaid with the southern Army during its various operations in the Carolinas and Virginia, he has also while in said service seemed Generals Green, Wayne and Lafayette the whole term of his said service including the time he served the United States after his term of enlistment expired was three years six months and some days, he was discharged near Williamsburg in Virginia, Received a discharge by order of General Morgan which he has lost. He was born in Loudoun County Virginia the 10th May 1753, lived in Frederick County Virginia when called into the service of the United States, lived there for several years after the War then moved to Montgomery County Virginia, lived there for several years then moved to Anderson County Tennessee where he now lives he does not know of any Person living by whom he could prove the whole of his said service, he can prove part of his service by James Braden whose affidavit is hereto annexed he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency in any State. Subscribed and sworn to the day and year aforesaid

S/ Jacob Stukebery

[John Gibbs and Lewis Miller gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Anderson County: Personally appeared before me John Chiles one of the acting Justices of the Peace in and for said County came James Braden¹ who after being him sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he became acquainted with Jacob Stukesberry in the year 1779 when they were both soldiers in the Army of the Revolutionary War he bearing arms and said Stukesberry driving a wagon that at a place called Brumsick in South Carolina as he believes he heard said Stukesberry refused to drive said wagon any longer and heard General Morgan telling him that he would punish him if he did not continue to drive that said Stukesberry

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¹ James Braden (Brady) R1124

then returned to driving a wagon and continued to drive all the time that he knew him which was about two years in the Army, that this affiant is now living in Anderson County Tennessee, and knows the said Jacob Stukesberry to be the same man that was compelled to drive wagon at the place and under the circumstances aforementioned affiant is seventy-five years of age 29th present month of August 1838

S/ James Braden, X his mark

State of Tennessee Anderson County: On this 1st day of July 1839 Personally appeared Jacob Stukesberry a resident of Anderson County & State of Tennessee before the County court of said County who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following amended declaration in order to obtain the Provisions & benefit made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

Applicant most positively states that he has made true statements in his former declaration as to his having been a Revolutionary Soldier & services, and that he did enlist under the officers named in his former declaration (Colonel Edmundson & Captain Frost) and that he was marched under them to a place called Berrys ferry on as he believes on Shenandoah River General Morgan then had the command in Chief, he then undertook as states that her and left his said Company he does not now recollect who taken [sic] command of the company he belonged to, nor does he now recollect how long Colonel Edmon [sic] & Captain Frost served in the Army as he was acting as Teamster and continued to act as such as he has stated in his former declaration, it may be that Colonel Edmundson & Captain Frost was discharged at the place of rendezvous but if they were claimant does not know. Applicant was not admitted [sic] to return to his Company bearing arms but was compelled to act as Waggoner applicant does not recollect who acted as wagon master, he was desirous to present his claim at an early day and as such employed an attorney to make his claim and his declaration as prescribed by War Department immediately after the Passage of the law on the subject of Pensions in June 1832 but his said attorney so neglected applicant and his Claim as to cause this great delay in presenting his claim. Applicant is very old and infirm not able to get about to do business did not see his attorney more than 2 or 3 times in the year, who would then put him off saying that he would attend to his Pension Claim at some other time which Promises he would continue to make until he finally left the state of Tennessee without attending to applicant's claim as he promised. Applicant must here repeat again that he enlisted under the officers before mentioned he does not recollect Positively whether they were Regulars or Militia officers nor what became of them after they joined the main Army as applicant was transferred from his said Company in bearing arms to that of a Waggoner by which means applicant new but little that was going on in the Army or what became of the officers aforesaid or how long they served. Several other individuals enlisted also under Captain Frost and marched to the Place of rendezvous and joined the main Army under General Morgan at Berrys Ferry as aforesaid. Whether Frost was a Regular Captain or only acted as such applicant does not know but he believes Frost merely acted in Recruiting and bore the name of Captain.

S/ Jacob Stukesbery

State of Tennessee Anderson County: Personally appeared before the County Court of Anderson County, James Braden who after being first duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith that he became acquainted with Jacob Stukesberry in the year 1779 when they were both soldiers bearing arms and Stukesberry driving wagons, that at a place called Bramsick in South Carolina

as he believes, he heard said Stukesberry refused to drive said wagon and team any longer and heard General Morgan telling him that if he did not drive said team he would punish him Stukesberry then returned to driving said wagon & team and continued to drive all the time that he knew him in the Army which was about 2 years this affiant was conveyed by said Stukesberry and wagon to the Hose Pettle [hospital] at Williamsburg after he this affiant was wounded at the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] in North Carolina which wound occasioned by a ball in the right leg and a blow from a British light horseman's sword in the left hand affiant also saw said Stukesberry at the surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] with though baggage wagon then going to the mouth of Nansemond River I think in Virginia who was ordered thence as he understood with the baggage &c.

This is now living in Anderson County aforesaid and knows said Stukesberry to be the same man that was compelled to drive the wagons and team at the Place and under the circumstances aforesaid.

S/ James Braden, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 8th, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]