Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Strange S3995 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Ohio Highland County: SS

On this County 22nd day of August 1832, personally appeared before me A. B. Wilson a Justice of the Peace for said County, John Strange a resident of the State of Ohio and County aforesaid, 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 was born September 3rd 1759. That he entered the service of the United States he thinks in the 19th year of his age under Colonels Shelby [Isaac Shelby] and Christy [William Christian] & Captain William Witcher, he served three months, as a volunteer & received a written discharge. They were forted at the long Islands of Holston [River] the campaign was against the Indians.

About two years after he was drafted into service for three months that he joined the Army at Cabin Point under General Muhlenberg, Colonel Flemmin [Fleming] and Captain John Childs [John Chiles] that during the three months they had several skirmishes with the British. They were at Norfolk & Portsmouth and marched to Petersburg and discharged there by the Captain. He thinks about a year after he volunteered for three months as a horseman under Captain Robert Adams and Colonel Charles Lynch that he served the principal part of the time after the Tories in Bedford County Virginia that during his service under Lynch the [they] lynched about fifty, eighteen were whipped at Bedford courthouse in one day, that he received his discharge but at present has not any documentary evidence and he knows of no evidence that he can procure to establish the above facts. 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 S/ Adam B Wilson, JP S/ John Strange, X his mark

[Robert Thurman & Felix Thurman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$32.50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Infantry & 9 months in the Cavalry, all in the Virginia militia.]

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