Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Stephen R. Price S46467 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. MD

Know all men by these Presents that I Stephen R Price of Rockbridge County commonwealth of Virginia for divers good causes Me thereunto moving Have and by these presents to ordain constitute and appoint my trusty Frind Andrew Moore Esq'r [pension application W1454]. My true and Lawfull Attorney for me and in my Name and for my use to Ask demand and receive of and from the Hon'ble the commiss'r of the board of War and whom else it may concern all such donations either in Land warrants or mony as is due to me as a soldeir during the late war with Brittain... [the rest legal boilerplate not transcribed; 8 March 1806]

State of Maryland

Allegany County, to wit

October 27th 1806 Then came Col John Lynn late Lieut. in the 6th Maryland Regiment during the revolutionary war before me the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid (accompanied by Mr. Stephen R Price) and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he is well acquainted with Mr. Price (now an Inhabitant of Rockbridge County State of Virginia) that said Price and himself served in the same Regiment together, himself a Lieut. and Mr. Price Quatermaster Sergt. to the Regiment, untill a reduction took place in consequence of the defeat of General Gates on the 16th day of August 1780 [Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] when the remains of the 6th Regiment formed but one Company in which company we both served, the said Price as Orderly Serg't. to said Company, and continued to the end of the war.

I am happy that I have it in my power on oath, to say from a long acquaintance with Mr. Price I know of no one in the army of his rank that was more distinguished for capacity, sobriety, attention to duty and bravery in battle. and I have no doubt had the war continued a little longer, he would have been promoted.

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits 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 of May, 1828, I, Stephen R Price of Mifflin township in the county of Franklin in the State of Ohio do hereby declare, that I enlisted in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination; at which period, I was a Serjeant I believe in Capt Dobsons [Henry Dobson's] Company, in the Second Regiment, of the Maryland Line. And, I also declare, that I afterwards received certificates for the reward of eighty dollars; to which I was entitled, under a resolve of Congress, passed the 15th of May, 1778. See the written declaration marked (E)

And I further declare, that I was not, on the fifteenth day of May, 1828, on the Pension List of the United States nor never was on the pension list.

Witness my hand, this twenty first day of July, in the year one thousand eight hundred & twenty eight

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Altho I suppose I was enrolled in some company being an enlisted soldier yet I did no duty in any perticular company from 1777 to the termination of the war the reason will appear below and my memory is now very weak so that my only reason for believing that I was enrolled in Capt Dobsons company is that I remember I was with his company in the battle of Eutaw springs [SC, 8 Sep 1781] where said Dobson was killed and Leiutenant Lynn wounded and I took charge of the company the remainder of the battle

I am confident that according to the resolve of Congress May 15th 1778 and likewise the Act of Congress May 15th 1828 that I am entiled to the pay granted by the last mentioned Act and a great deal more if justice was done me as you shall hear – I was enlisted for and during the war and early in 1777 I was appointed Q't Mas'r Sergeant of the 6th Maryland Regiment and about the later end of that year the O'r. Master went Home and I did his duty untill the regiment was reduced at Gates's defeat after that I acted in several different capacities in the Staff department and at the close of the war I acted as Q'r. Master of the light troops and went with them to take possession of Charlestown S.C. when the Brittish evacuated it [Charleston, 14 Dec 1782]

I was repeatedly promised Extra pay but got none and for several years before the end of the war a commission and was returned for that purpose but too many Cadets for an enlisted Soldier to be promoted let his quallifications be ever so good

the words of the printed declaration requires I should say I had received the certificate for the eighty dollars reward granted by the resolve of Congress 1778 but I never had it in possession altho I believe that it was received for me and in my name as I appointed Col. Tootle of Annapolis my Attorney at the end of the war and I believe He got all the certificates due me and He was finally broken up and died before I heard any thing of it as I lived at a considerable distance by which I lost all my final settlement certificates and those for the 80 dollars also

If any further proof is necessary there is a deposition of Colo John Lynns in the Treasury Office for the purpose of getting my warrant for the 100 acres of donation land which was sent to the office either in 1808 or 1809 as the patent is dated 1810

I declare the whole of the above declaration to be the truth to the best of my recollection

Sir [Richard Rush Esq'r Secretary of the U. States Treasury; mailed 2 Aug 1828]

I know nothing about my discharge lost many years ago but I expect Colo. Lynns deposition will be satisfactory or the the record of my warrant or patent or the muster roles of the 6th or 2nd Regiment or I could send my Patent down if it was of any use to confirm the evidence. I know of no living personal evidence but Gen'l. Andrew Moore in Rockbridge county Virginia who obtained my land warrant and said Colo. Lynns deposition I am Sir with all due respect your most Obed't. Stephen & Price

Humble Servant

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P.S. my Address is Stephen R Price near Collumbus Franklin County Ohio