Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Sheets S7479
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State of Ohio Gallia County: SS

On this 7th day of November in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Thomas Irvin Resident, and Thomas Rodgers, Joseph Fletcher and John Holcomb Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Gallia now sitting George Sheets a resident of said County of Gallia and State of Ohio aged seventy-five years who first being 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 and served as herein stated:

That in July 1777 that he entered into the Service of the United States, under Captain Arbuckle [probably Matthew Arbuckle] who commanded a company of drafted militia from the County of Augusta Virginia, the day of his draft he does not recollect but remembers that it was in July – He was born in Bucks County Pennsylvania and removed to Augusta when quite young but the precise date of his immigration, he has now forgotten, and was drafted as above. They marched under the said Captain to Point Pleasant on the Ohio River for the defense of the frontier, at which place they remained four months and went home –

In April 1778, he was again drafted in a company under Captain Lockridge [probably Andrew Lockridge] in said County of Augusta and marched to Donnelly Fort in Greenbrier County Virginia where they remained 21 days and thence returned home being absent about one month and a half –

In August 1778, he was again drafted in the company commanded by Captain McCutchen [probably Samuel McCutchen] in said County and was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel McIntosh Colonel Boyers and in Major Anderson. – They marched to Fort McIntosh in the North West Territory (now Ohio where they stayed about one month or more thence they marched to Fort Lawrence [Fort Laurens] on the Tuscarawas where they lay upwards of 3 months when he was finally discharged and went home. He got a written discharge from the Colonel under whom he served but has lost it by time or accident, and cannot now produce it. – That he knows of no person by whom he can prove this service, nor can he prove the time he served – but he is willing to testify and does hereby swear that in his 1st Tour of duty he served at least 4 months

1. Term 4 months 2. do 1 ½

3. do $4-9\frac{1}{2}$ That he does not now recollect any of

General Officers under whom he served. He is old and very poor. He has served faithfully and if Testimony other than he offers is required he can never get it.

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 or territory &c. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ George Sheets, X his mark

[William Carder, a clergyman, John Swindler and Cornelius Halley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$31.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 9 1/2 months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]