Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

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Pension Application of Jeffrey Collins S9192

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State of Virginia

County of Shenandoah Ss.

On this 9th day of October in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the said Court now sitting, Jeffrey Collins, a resident of Gooney manor in the County and State aforesaid, aged seventy-six years who being first 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.

I resided at a place called Gooney Manor in the said County of Shenandoah, then called Dunmore, in the year 1777 and about the 10th or 12th of March of that year I volunteered under Captain Michael Rader, Lieutenant McCarty and Ensign Fugate. The members of Capt Raders's company were kept in readiness to march until the following August, when the said Company was marched to Pittsburg [Pittsburgh], then commonly called Fort Pitt – upon the arrival of the company at Pittsburg, it was attached to Colonel [John] Gibson's Regiment of regulars, which Regiment was under the command of General [Edward] Hand. Soon after our arrival at Pittsburg Capt Rader's company, of which I continued a member, with others were sent down the river to Wheeling, in the neighbourhood of which the Indians had been committing depredations. On the first day of our arrival near the fort at Wheeling [1 Sep 1777] we succeeded in driving the Indians from the fort, which they then infested. The company of which I was a member remained at the Fort at Wheeling until the 14th day of November 1777 when I was transferred to Capt Samuel Mason, whose company I being a member of it remained to guard the Fort at Wheeling until the 26th day of March 1778 when I was discharged by Lieutenant Levin Branson (whose discharge I have either lost or mislaid)

I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid. Jeffrey hisXmark Collins The following interrogatories were propounded to Jeffrey Collins the applicant mentioned in the declaration hereto annexed.

- 1. Where and in what year were you born?
- Ansr. I was born about the year 1756 in the settlement called Gooney Manor in the County of Shenandoah formerly Dunmore.
- 2. Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it?
- Ansr. My age was set down in old Mr. Russell's bible and I believe it is now in possession of one of his sons who resides in the Western Country.
- 3. Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the Revolutionary War, and where do you now live?
- When called into service I resided in Gooney manor above mentioned where I have resided ever Ansr. since.
- 4 How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute? and if a substitute for whom?
- I was a volunteer, as set forth in my declaration hereto annexed? Ansr.
- State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served; such continental & militia Regiments as you can recollect; and the general circumstances of your service?
- Capt Rader was my Captain. Enoch McCarty Leutenant and Townshend Fugate Ensign. We were under Colo. Gibson when we reached Pittsburg and when we went down to Wheeling we were

under General Hand. My services are particularly details in the declaration hereto annexed.

NOTE: Robert Russell (pension application S6041) stated that he had served with Jeffrey Collins.