

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Holloway W271

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[fn p. 10]

State of Tennessee Morgan County: On this the 20th day of November 1832 personally appeared before me John H Hughs an acting Justice of the peace for the County of Morgan aforesaid in the State of Tennessee being a member of the court of pleas and quarter sessions for said County which court wind sitting is a court of record, John Holloway a resident citizen of said County of Morgan & State of Tennessee being unable to attend court from bad health age 73 years agreeable to calculation having no record of his age and after 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 the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States against the common enemy of his country in the revolutionary war, he was drafted in the part of the world that is now East Tennessee to go and served a three month tower [tour] against the British he marched off from near where is now Jonesboro in East Tennessee he started under Captain John Clark & Jesse Walton Major and Colonel John Sevier since Governor of Tennessee they marched to doe River and there rendezvoused and there it was understood and concluded that it was not safe to leave the frontiers and we returned home & immediately and went after the Indians the time we set out this trip was in the spring season of the year the date not recollected but he thinks it was about two years before the end of the war. We went to many places in the Indian nation and was in some little engagements at one time killed about fifteen Indians & took about the same number prisoners and after going zigzag through the nation to many places returned home and some time thereafter was called on again and marched off under said Captain Clark after the Indians again but they all fled and he returned home, and after that we were kept in readiness to go against the Indians whenever there was any necessity and this applicant was occasionally called on during the remainder of the war to go against the Indians no very remarkable incidents happened at one time Applicant's horse was stolen from him and his saddle stolen & six other men had their horses and saddles [stolen] by the Indians at the same time we never got them again, applicant

was called on at a great many different times to go against the Indians some longer and some shorter his Time was in a great measure consumed in that way for two years so that he is confident that the whole of his services amounted to twelve months service. Sometimes he had officers and sometimes he had none in hasty calls he never had any written discharge and has no documentary evidence of his services, and knows of no person by whom he can prove his services. He was born near Richmond Virginia he does not know what County, was carried to Henry County Virginia at about ten years old and sometime thereafter to where it is now Tennessee State where he lived during the time of service in the revolution, and after that again in Henry County Virginia stayed there about one year and moved to near Mockinson Gap [Moccasin Gap] to where it is now Tennessee State in the East part, stayed there about 5 years and moved to Roan County [Roane County] Tennessee and to the part that is now Morgan County East Tennessee where he has lived ever since. He hereby relinquishes Every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity Except the present and declares his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid
S/ John H. Hughs, JP S/ John Holloway, X his mark
[John H Hood, and Thomas M Cox gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 6: On October 1, 1838, in Morgan County Tennessee, Rebecca Holloway, 70, made application for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John Holloway, a pensioner for his service in the revolution; that she married him March 17, 1790; that her husband died April 4th, 1837 of dropsy.]

[fn p. 18: On April 30, 1839 in Morgan County Tennessee, the widow gave testimony amending her original declaration stating that the Bible record in her possession as the family Bible that her mother gave her when her son William Holloway was but a baby about 40 years ago; she states she cannot read or write and does not know who wrote the record but thinks it likely her grandson Henry Holloway, her son Joseph Holloway or one of the McCartys, brothers-in-law of her son Joseph Holloway; "she is positive that the years of their births on reference to this record should be say Joseph Holloway was born say March 17th 1795 William Holloway born June the 15th 1798 Kessiah Holloway or may 24th 1801 Claborn Holloway born February the 25 1807 and Rachel Holloway, older than Claborn was born January 24th 1804 that she has no doubt but the dates of Joseph Holloway and William Holloway and Rachel Holloway that the figures were placed wrong and that her foregoing explanation is really right, she does not know whether or not her marriage with her deceased [husband] was can [sic] placed in her said Bible or not, nor whether the ages of the older children born of the bodies of her said Husband and herself were ever set down in said book or not the same might have been, and worn out or obliterated or not she does not know she thinks that the same has likely been [words too faint to discern] at Joseph Holloway's and perhaps done since her oldest children older moved to the new County's many years past but has no recollection at what time nor who, she states that she was acquainted with John Craig deceased and with his wife Barbery Craig now living in Morgan County by whom she believes she can prove things confirming her marriage."]

[fn p. 20: On August 20, 1839, the widow gave further testimony stating that her oldest child Nancy Holloway married Matthew Griffy and lived in Marion County Tennessee the last account she had of her 2 or 3 years ago; that her next oldest child Elizabeth married Elisha Hood and has

been dead for 15 years last winter; that Elizabeth died in a place called the code formerly in Overton County Tennessee but now within the bounds of Fentress County Tennessee.]

[facts in file: Joseph the son of the veteran and his widow, married a daughter of Robert McCart; Joseph had a son named Henry.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 12 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]