Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Tuggle W8795 Nancy f45VA
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[f p. 18]

Commonwealth of Kentucky Clarke County Sct.

On this 22nd day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court it being a Court of record, before the Justices of the Clarke County Court now sitting William Tuggle a resident of Clarke County and State aforesaid, aged seventy-three years last April, 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

In the fall of the year 1777 I think in the month of October, I was drafted as a militia man to serve a tour of three months in a Company of Militia commanded by Captain Richard Bibb. The Company was raised in Goochland County Virginia in which County I then resided. We were marched to Williamsburg and from that to York, we were commanded by General Nelson. That was no regular soldiers in company where I was as far as I recollect I served out the three months and sent home. I got no written discharge.

The next time I served twelve months in the regular Army – I enlisted on the 14th day of February 1778. I was enlisted by Captain Morris I think his first name was Nathaniel, and in company with some others I was sent on to the Army at Valley Forge. When I joined the Army Morris our Captain belonged to the 9th Regiment but said Regiment as I understood had been cut to pieces at the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777] and the new recruits being insufficient to make up the Regiment a new – I was transferred with the others to the 5th Regiment in a company commanded by Captain Fautleroy [perhaps, Capt. Moore Fauntleroy], the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Burgess Ball. We marched from Valley Forge sometime in June as well as I recollect and marched to the White Plains. From the White Plains we were marched to West Point – Fautleroy our Captain was killed at Monmouth [June 28, 1778] [Moore Fauntleroy was taken prisoner at Germantown on Oct. 4, 1777 and was not killed at Monmouth. I cannot identify an officer that might fit the veteran's description]. I was not present then at the Valley Forge having been left behind sicK – At the death of Fontleroy I was placed in a company commanded by Captain Kendall in the first Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Richard Parker. From West Point we were marched to winter quarters in the Jerseys. I was discharged before the Army left winter quarters, having served my 12 months for which I enlisted. I got a written discharge I think it was signed by Colonel Richard Parker. I have lost it many years

In the year 1779 I served two tours of three weeks each. I was a substitute both times. The first time for James Gillam, the second time I was also a substitute but I have forgotten the

name of the person for whom I was a substitute. I was employed on both occasions in guarding the British prisoners taken at Burgoyne's defeat. They were kept at Albemarle Barracks in Virginia – Captain Edward Duke commanded at one time – the name of the Captain who commanded at the other time I have forgotten, though I believe his name was Captain Curd – the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Taylor [Frances Taylor].

In the fall of the year 1779 after I had performed the foregoing service I moved to Pittsylvania County Virginia and in the month of May 1781 I was there drafted as a militia man for three months in a company commanded by Captain Burnett. Holcomb was our Major. We were marched near Williamsburg. The brigade was commanded by General Lawson, we were marched and counter marched through the country we were marched to the Morbin Hills [Malvern Hills] near James River where we remained several days. From there we marched to Brookbridge near Richmond, and my three months having expired I was discharged. I got a written discharge, who it was signed by I do not recollect. I left said discharge with Richard Harrison who then lived in Pittsylvania County Virginia to get my pay for me – and I have never seen it since – My whole service was twelve months in the regular Army and about seven months and a half in the militia. General Muhlenberg commanded the Brigade I belonged to whilst in the regular service.

I was born in Goochland County State of Virginia on the 27th day of April 1759. I have a record of my age at my own house taken from one made by my father. I lived in Virginia after the revolutionary war until the year 1795 – I then moved to the State of Kentucky and have been living here ever since, in Clarke County. I lived in Goochland County Virginia during the war except the time I lived in Pittsylvania County before mentioned and in the year 1782 I left Pittsylvania, and removed back again to Goochland where I resided until 1795. I am well known in my present neighborhood to David Hampton Esquire, Philip Ryan, Jesse Hampton and Elias Browning and John Gordon who can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the Revolution.

I 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 and year aforesaid.

S/ William Tuggle

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[David Hampton and John Gordon gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Commonwealth of Kentucky Knox County to wit

This day Thomas Tuggle personally appeared before may Joseph Eve Circuit Judge for the County of Knox and State aforesaid inmate oath that he is the brother of William Tuggle of Clark County State of Kentucky and who is an applicant for a pension under the act of Congress which passed at the session 1832 and that about the year 1777 his Brother William Tuggle entered the service of the United States as a drafted militia man from Goochland County State of Virginia that the said William was gone sometime he does not recollect the time but upon his return it was understood by the neighbors and family and never contradicted order doubted to the knowledge of this deponent that the said William Tuggle had served a tower [tour] of militia duty as aforesaid but he thinks the time three months. Shortly after his return he thinks in the year 1778 the said William enlisted as a regular Soldier and was absent about 12 months upon his

return he stated he had served out his time in the Army and this deponent then and at this time has doubt of it nor never heard any other person doubt it he afterwards went to towers to guard the Prisoners taken at Burgoyne's defeat he thinks about three weeks each after the before named towers his Brother William left his father and went to Pittsylvania County and was absent sometime upon his return he said he had come from the Army and it was understood and believed that he had been another tower as a militia man and he does not now doubt it he has not a shadow of a doubt but all the before going services was performed by the said William Tuggle and further says not.

S/Thos. Tuggle

S/P Suggle

Subscribed and sworn to before me Joseph Eve Circuit Judge 15th judicial circuit August 20th 1832.

[f p. 13: On February four, 1843 in Clark County Kentucky, Nancy Tuggle, 83, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of William Tuggle, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him June 12, 1782; that her husband died July fifth, 1833; and that she remains his widow. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[Facts in file: the widow stated that she had raised 11 children but the only children named in the file are as follows:

Elizabeth Tuggle born September (day and year illegible)

[illegible entry] born in 1785

Charles Thomas [?] Double born in 1786

Polly Tuggle born April 25, 1790

John Tuggle born 1792

In 1842 Edward Ralesback or Railsback aged 48 a resident of Clark County Kentucky stated that his wife, Frances was a daughter of William and Nancy Tuggle.]

Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$64.66 per annum commencing March fourth, 1810, for service as a private full one-year seven months and 12 days in the service of Virginia. Veteran's widow was pensioned in a like amount.]