Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Carr R12966
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The State of Ohio } SS. Butler COUNTY, }

On this seventeenth day of May A.D. 1855 personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace of and for the County and State aforesaid, Ann Carr, aged 87 years, a resident of Butler County, in the State of Ohio, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the Widow of Thomas Carr deceased, who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain Robert Jackson in the Regiment of Virginia Militia commanded by not remembered in the War of the Revolution That her said husband was drafted at Newtown, then in Bartly [sic: Berkeley] County Virginia on or about the first day of October 1781 and was marched from Newtown towards York Town Va. but before said compny reached the Army in the vicinity of York town they were met with the news of the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct] and the compny was then ordered back to Newtown where they were to hold themselves in readiness for further use if needed. That said compny was not again called out. That her said husband was marching some three weeks before he got back with his said Co. to Newtown as affiant has been informed and she refers to the Rolls of said compny for proof.

That her said husband also volunteered or drafted at Sinking Creek Washington Co. Tennessee on or about the not known day of not known, A.D. 1791 as she thinks, for the term of 3 months and continued in actual service in said War for the term of 3 months under Capts Hanly or Beverly of Tenness Milltia, fighting the Indians, and was honorably discharged at on the not known day of not known A.D. not known but refers to the Rolls of the said captains company or companies on file.

She further states that she was married to the said Thomas Carr on the eleventh day of April, A.D. 1787 by one Rev. Garrett, a Baptist preacher, and that her name before her said marriage was Ann Gates; that her said husband died at Hanover township Butler Co. Ohio on the eleventh day of March, A.D. 1838, and that she is now a widow and that she has no family record of her said marriage.

She further declares that she has not heretofore made application for nor received Bounty Land under the Act of September 28, 1850, or any other act and received no Land Warrant

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be entitled under the Act approved March 3, A.D. 1855. She also declares that she has never applied for nor received under this or any other Act of Congress, any Bounty Land Warrant except the one above mentioned. [Power of attorney follows.]

Ann herXmark Carr

[On 16 March 1860 Anna Carr, 93, amended a previous application for a pension, not found, by adding that Thomas Carr had "served in Capt Fords Co of General Waynes army in his Western frontier service in the years 179,2, 3 & 4." This statement was certified by Samuel and Martha Jane Carr. Samuel Carr then stated that his father died "on or about the 19th of March 1837, or 38."]

State of Ohio } Ss
Butler County } [15 Aug 1860]

Before me a Notary Public personally came Samuel Carr to me well known; who being by me first duely sworn, deposes, and says, That he is now 53 years old a Resident of Butler County, and State of Ohio and that he is; the 7th Son of Thos & Anna Carr; Affiant further says, that, his said Father died about Twenty four years ago (1836) and that his mother Anna Carr is still living at the advanced age of Ninety four years Affiant further says that he has often heard his Father Thos Carr in his liftime make mention of his service as a soldier in the War of the Revolution; That he has heard him make mention of having

served two terms in said War. Has heard him make mention of being under one Capt Robt Jackson on a forced march to join the army at York Town at the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis But did not reach the army before the aforementioned surrender

Affiant further says, that, he has heard his Father mention that he was out on a six months Tour before this, and was often detatched to scout; and was sometimes sent to the Fronteers to watch the movements of the Indians.

Affiant further says that, his Father was often importuned to apply for a Pension in his lifetime after the passage of the act of 1832 and, that, he was about making the application at one time through John Woods; who then acted as atty in this County for Revolutionary soldiers but did not complete his declaration for the reason that there was a difference of opinion between himself and Woods as to the date of a certain event in said War; and that he (Carr) said he would live without a pension. My Father Thos Carr had a cancer on his nose which in time went to his Brain, and affected his mental facelties in some degree

But I have often heard my Father make mention of said Revolutionary service long before a Pension law was passed granting Pensions to soldier of the Revolution. Affiant fur- says, that, he had two Uncles John [John Carr] & James Carrs [James Carr, pension application S32157] who served in the Revolutionary War in the State of Va in which State my Father served But think they served in the same Companies (Affiant further says that his mother Anna Carr has applied for and rec'd a land warrant for 160 acres issued under act of March 3^d 1855 for services rendered by my Father in 1793 & 4 under General [Anthony] Wayne

Affiant further states that his said Father, Thos Carr, and Anna Carr were married in Va, Berkly Co about 1786. The old Family Bible was Burned abot the date of my Birth. Further I have no interest in this [illegible word] claim; anymore than a son would naturally have [signed] Samuel Carr

State of Ohio } Ss

Butler County \ [19 Aug 1860]

Before me a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid personally came Anna Carr widow of Thomas Carr who being by me first duly sworn according to law deposes and says, That she is the widow of [blank] Carr She further states that she has been, (and is now) a resident of Butler County Ohio for the last [blank] years last past, and that she is now 94 years old; She makes this declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Acts of Congress approved July 4th 1836, and July 7th 1838, and other amendatory acts granting half pay Pensions to certain widows of Revolutionary Soldiers. Further that she is the widow of Thomas Carr who was a private in company commanded by Captain under Col Jackson in the War of the Revolution. That my said Husband entered the service at [blank] on or about the [blank] day of [blank] AD 1779, 80 81 & 82.

That the place of Residence of her said husband when he entered the Army of the Revolution was at [blank] in the State of Va That she has heard her husband was in the following named Battles; was near Yorktown when Cornwallis surrendered, and was in some Indian Skirmishes

She further declares that she was married to the said Thos Carr on the [blank] day of AD 1786 AD AD 17, and that her husband aforesaid died on the [blank] day of 1836–183 and that she has remained his widow ever since the date of her said husbands death as will more fully appear by proofs herewith filed

She further says that her said husband never applied for or drew any Pension in his lifetime; for the reason that he always said he could live without it and further I have never applied for any Pension for the same reason. She further makes oath that she has received a land warrant from the U States for 160 acres under act of March 3^d 1855. She hereby appoints John Johnston of Washington City her true and lawful atty for her and in her name to prosecute this her claim for a Pension

Attest/ Martha J. Carr/ William Carr

Anna herXmark Carr