Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Anderson R184 Christiana Anderson VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 21 June 2014.

Virginia Montgomery County Ss

On this 2nd day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the county court of said county, now sitting, Jacob Anderson a resident of said county & state aged 74 years on the 5th of July 1832, 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 volunteered in the revolutionary war under Capt. Charles Thurston for six months, in the county of Frederick in Virginia, and marched to Philadelphia & from there to Trenton on the Delaware river, and from there to [Gen. William Alexander] Lord Stirlings Building on Bareshear[?] ridge. there I was stationed, and while there I had two battles or skirmishes; one at Piscataway New Jersey [10 May 1777], and the other at a little town called Quibble Town in the state of New Jersey, and then discharged in April at Lord Stirlings Building in the year 1777. I was drafted (I believe in 1777) for three months under Captain Helms, and attached to Gen'l. Potters [James Potter's] Brigade in Pennsylvania at a place called the west encampment on Chesnut ridge [sic: Chestnut Ridge] near Philadelphia, and was discharged there. I enlisted under Capt. [Samuel] Gilkerson for one year which I believe was in the fall of 1778. and was put to guarding the prisoners in the county of Frederick under Colo. Smith [John Smith, pension application S6114]. Was taken from there by Colo. Smith and joined a Troop of Horse in Baltimore and marched from there to Philadelphia where I was discharged. I received printed or written discharges at the different times above mentioned but know not what has become of them; I was afterwards drafted I think in the year 1781 for eighteen months and hired a substitute to go in my place but was compelled to give my obligation to Colo. Dark to fill the place in case it came to his turn to serve before he returned, but I did not go into service any more.

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. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

I Hy Wisor Sign [Henry Wysor, Sr., pension application S7854] do Certy that when, I was going to the north as Soldier in the army I met Jacob Anderson some where between Phillidelphei and Fraderick County Virginia returning from the army and he then told me he had been a tower of six months in the war, which I bileive was in the Spring 1777, or Late in the Winter of said year

Sworn to & subscribed this 3 Sept [illegible] before the court

[18 Aug 1832] I John Carper [S37825] do Hereby Certify that I have been acquainted with Jacob Anderson from the time we were boys and I know of Jacob Anderson Vollenteering in the revolution in the year I believe of 1776 under Conl Charles Thuston for six months, and I know of his being drafted I believe in the 1777 for three months under Capt Helm and was attatched to Genl Potters Brigade, I were drasted at the same time and he and I served together th Hole of the three months and were dischared at the same time in pensylvanie I also know of his inlisting under Capt Gilkerson for one year which I believe was in the year 1778 and of his guarding the prisoners in Frederick County Virginia and that he was taken from the guard by Conl Smith who I believe Commanded a troop of horse, Given under my hand this 18th day of augut 1832

John his Xmark Carper

NOTES:

On 5 Oct 1843 Christina Anderson, 83, of Pulaski County VA, applied for a pension stating that as Christina Wysor she was married to Jacob Anderson by Rev. George Mishler at the house of Adam Wysor in Frederick County on or about 24 March 1779, and that her husband died 21 Feb 1842. Henry Wysor, Jr. was the Justice of the Peace who recorded her statement. On 10 Dec 1857 this Henry Wysor, 71, referred to Jacob Wysor as his uncle.

On 25 Sep 1845 Mary S. Barger, 74, certified that her sister, Christiana Anderson, was married in 1779, the same year that her nephew, George Wysor, was born. She also stated that the wedding occurred at her father's, 10 miles from Winchester, and was attended by "George & Henry Wysor, Margaret & Catherine Wysor, these were Brothers & Sisters of us." In addition she stated, "I was the eighth child my sister Mrs Anderson was the third child my brother George was the next oldest; our father and mother's names were Adam and Eliza Wysor. I was married in the year 1790 and was then 19 years old, my sister had been married 11 years and had 6 children the oldest of whom was born about 2 years after her marriage; my brother Capt. Henry Wysor died in the year 1844."

The file includes a copy of the last will and testament of Christiana Anderson dated 10 April 1846 naming "the children of my dec'd. son George Anderson, The children of my dec'd daughter Nancy Shepherd, The children of my dec'd. daughter Susan Hues, and my other children Elizabeth Woolwine, Peggy Gray, Eve Songer, Polly S. Barger, Jacob Anderson & William Anderson," and leaving her estate to William Anderson with whom she was living.

On 10 Dec 1857 William Anderson applied for the pension that his mother never received, stating that she died on or about 28 July 1846.