Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Samuel McQuiety (McQuitty) R6812 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. PA VA

The State of Ohio Highland County Ss:

On this 8th day of April AD 1833 personally appeared in open court before the court of common pleas of s'd. County now sitting Samuel McQuitty a resident in said County of Highland aged 83 years 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 & served as herein stated

The following questions were propounded to the s'd applicant to which the annexed answers were given

- 1. Question When & where were you born? I was born in the year 1751 in Antrim County in Ireland
- 2. Have you any record of your age? I have none.
- 3. Where were you living when you were called into service; where have since lived & where do you now live? I was living in the State of Virginia & in Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County. I lived several years in the State of Virginia after the close of the revolutionary war. I also lived some years in Mason county Kentucky after which I removed to Highland County Ohio where I have ever since lived.
- 4th. How were you called into service? In my last tour I was drafted as a militiaman in the Virginia militia. I volunteered in my first tour & sutered[?] 18 horses in the service of the United States & in this tour I served without intermission for two years & one month.
- 5th. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served; such continental & malitia regiments as you can recollect & the general circumstances of your service. I first volunteered under Peter Whiteside Captain or Horsemaster with 18 horses at Pittsburgh in the State of Pennsylvania about the month of September in the year 1778. General [Lachlan] McIntosh commanded the brigade & marched soon after our company joined him (which was at Pittsburg) against the Indians who were then threating our parties. We marched to the Tuscarawas west of the Ohio river. I cannot recollect the name of the Colonel who commanded our regiment. We marched under McIntosh to Beaver town where we remained 6 or 8 weeks & erected a fort [Fort McIntosh, begun September 1778]. We marched to Tuscarawas river after we finished the fort at Beaver against the Shawanese [sic: Shawnee] & other hostile indians. After remaining on the Tuscarawas about 6 weeks our provision failed & we were marched back almost in a starving condition through Beaver town to Frederick county Virginia where we went into winter quarters Were discharged in April 1779 by Captain Peter Whitesides I served in this tour 8 months from September 1778 to April 1779. Previous to McIntosh's campaign against the indians I served for two years & one months carrying provisions from different parts of Virginia & Pennsylvania to Pitsburgh which was a general place of deposit for provisions – which were carried for the use of the army of the revolution. In all my tours of service I was out as a soldier of the revolution for two years & nine months. Cannot remember the names of any other officers with whom I served except those named. John Eakins Wm Boatman Anthony Lonner & others will testify as to my good character for truth & veracity in my neighborhood & as to their belief that I served in the army of the revolution. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. No clergyman in my neighborhood.

Samuel his Smark McQuiety

NOTE: The file gives no reason for the rejection of McQuiety's claim, but probably it was because militia tours were seldom for more than six months each.