Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Mann R6870 Transcribed by Will Graves Ann Mann

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State of Virginia Campbell County to wit

On the 2nd day of October personally appeared before me Ellis Hunter one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the Peace for the County of Campbell and one of the Justices of the County Court of Campbell in the State aforesaid which is a court of record Joseph Mann a resident of said County and State, aged sixty-eight 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 into the service of the United States about the first of June 1781 was drafted and marched from Prince Edward Court house under the command of Captain Allen [perhaps Nathaniel Allen] Lieutenant Cradock [Craddock] the name of the Ensign not recollected, his field officers were Colonel Skipwith [Henry Skipwith] and Major Parnell. I also recollect a Colonel by the name of Tucker, that he was in General Lawson's [Robert Lawson's] Brigade and marched from Prince Edward Courthouse through the County of Cumberland crossing James River at Carter's ferry into Goochland, and Joining Wayne's [Anthony Wayne's], at Dandridge's as well as I recollect in the County of Hanover, from thence he marched to Williamsburg and James Town, a part of our Army had a skirmish with the enemy at or near James Town, that he also was at a place called Morbin Hills [Malvern Hills], and after serving 6 months was in the fall of 1781 discharged at Woodson's ferry on James River, received a discharge but lost it nor does he recollect who signed it, that he was in no engagement. That he was born in the State of Delaware, in 1764 has no register of his age, that he resided in the County of trends Edward at the time he was called into service, since the revolution he has resided in the State of Tennessee, and now resides in the County of Campbell, he refers to and Captain Thomas Harvey, Captain David Roberson, Colonel Robert Franklin and Major Benjamin Houston among whom he lives for his Character for Veracity, and their belief as to his services during the War of the revolution, and as to his actual service he refers to Thomas Franklin residing in the County of Campbell as the only person within his reach who can prove the same, that from age and infirmity of body he is unable to attend at the Court house to qualify to his declaration. He hereby relinquishes every claim 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.

S/ Joseph Mann, X his mark

[William Trent and George Abbett gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Virginia Campbell County to wit

This day Thomas Franklin¹ of the County of Campbell, made oath before me Ellis Hunter

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¹ FPA S8517

a Justice of the peace for said County that Joseph Mann was a Soldier of the revolution and served a tour of six months under the command of Captain Allen and Colonel Skipwith in 1781. Given under my hand this 2nd day of October 1832.

S/ Ellis Hunter [JP]

[p 10: On August 5, 1845 in Hawkins County Tennessee, Ann Mann, nearly 80, filed for a widow's pension as the widow of Joseph man, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was lawfully married to her husband in Prince Edward County Virginia in the spring of 1788; that her husband died in Campbell County Virginia "from home as she heard the word in the summer 1839."]

[p 4: Copy of a marriage bond dated March 17, 1788 issued in Prince Edward County Virginia to Joseph Mann and William Walker conditioned upon the marriage of Joseph man to Ann Moore (spinster) daughter of William Moore.]

[Facts in file: reference is made to the widow having died in Hawkins County Tennessee some 12 or 18 months before November 1850; reference is also made to her heirs but the only one named is a son, William Mann who was living in Hawkins County Tennessee in 1845 and in Sullivan County Tennessee in 1850.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]