Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Rains (Raines) R8562
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State of Indiana Fountain County Sct: On the 10th day of November 1834 personally appeared in open court being the Court of Probate in and for said County Richard Rains a Resident of the State and County aforesaid aged seventy-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 an act of Congress passed June 7 1832. That he was called into service as a drafted Militia man in the Virginia line from the County of Rockingham and State of Virginia sometime in the month of August in the year 1777 or 1778 under the command of Captain James Frasheir [sic, probably James Frazier] Joined the Regiment of Colonel Campbell. That we were marched to the Ohio River to about thirty miles below Fort Pitt and built Fort Mackentosh [Fort and in and McIntosh] where we continued for some time and was marched from there to the Trwcaraway [Tuscarora] River in the State of Ohio and built there a Fort was marched back again to Fort McIntosh and discharged there on or about the first of January the following year after having served his six months tour. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension but this that has [sic, his] name is not on the Roll of any Agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year above written.

S/ Richard Rains, X his mark

[James Sewell and Thomas Ogle gave the standard supporting affidavit and added that there are 2 preachers in the village where the veteran lives but neither is at home.]

State of Indiana Fountain County Sct.

Before me David Rawls one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the said County personally came Richard Raines who being duly sworn doth on his oath make the following additional affidavit in order to obtain the Benefit of the Pension Law of 1832. That sometime after he was dismissed from the militia of Virginia commanded by General McIntosh he was again called on to keep Fort at the city of Richmond in the State of Virginia. That at that time he resided in the County of Rockingham and State of Virginia. That he was then commanded by Captain Slaughter he has forgot the Captain's given name but believes it to be Richard or Robert that during this time he continued in service for three months. That some months before the surrender of the British Army by Cornwallis he was again called on and volunteered under Captain Stephen Grerod [? PERHAPS a mistaken reference to Capt. Stephen Conrad] and believes he was not attached to any Regiment during this term but was only prevented from

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being in the Battle at Black Watter [Black Water] by his being taken on the same day to guard cattle. That during this tour he continued in service he is certain for the period of two months. That in McIntosh's Campaign it was more than six months from the time he was mustered and the time of his return. That in all he feels certain he has served eleven months. That his only reason for not stating the services in his former declaration was that his attorney was of opinion that he could not state them with sufficient precision and that he his attorney told him that he believed there was a record of his service in the Pension office under General McIntosh which would entitle him to six months pay. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of April in the year of our Lord 1835.

S/D. Rawls, JP

S/ Richard Raines, X his mark