Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Carothers S10428

fn40NC

Transcribed by Will Graves

2/12/10 [rev'd 1/14/11]

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Also, the handwriting of the original scribes often lends itself to varying interpretations. Users of this database are urged to view the original and to make their own decision as to how to decipher what the original scribe actually wrote. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. Folks are free to make non-commercial use this transcript in any manner they may see fit, but please extend the courtesy of acknowledging the transcriber—besides, if it turns out the transcript contains mistakes, the resulting embarrassment will fall on the transcriber.]

District of Kentucky

On this 2nd day of September 1818 before me the undersigned one of the circuit Judges for the district aforesaid personally appeared James Carothers aged sixty-five years who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary War that he enlisted in the year 1776 (for the term of three years) in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain John Nelson of the 4th Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Pogue [sic, Thomas Polk] in the Continental Establishment that he continued to serve in the same corps for the said term of 3 years when he was discharged at Paramus church State of New Jersey. That he was in the battles of Brandywine & Monmouth. That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power to offer said Ford he here offers.

Sworn to and declared before me this day and year aforesaid

S/ Benj. Johnson, Circuit Judge

This day Thomas Carothers ¹personally appeared before me and made oath that he knows that James Carothers did serve for the term of 3 years in the revolutionary War as he served in the same company with said affiant and that he is in reduced circumstances. Witness my hand this 2nd September 1818.

S/ Benj. Johnson, Circuit Judge

Schedule: County of Jessamine

On this 20th day of April 1832 personally appeared in open court being a Court of record for said County of Jessamine James Carothers resident in said County aged seventy-seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820, That he the said James Carothers enlisted for the term of three years on the 4th day of May in the year 1776 in the state of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Nelson in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Pague [sic, Thomas Polk] in the line of the state of North Carolina on the North Carolina Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the 4th May 1779 when he was discharged from the service in a

¹ Thomas Carothers S35809

place called Paramus near the mountains in the Jerseys (as then called) that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name has been placed on Pension list, that the number of pension Certificate is 5287 -- And that he never before exhibited a schedule of his property because he was ignorant of the law upon the subject, And that he has been using efforts to be reinstated on the pension list ever since he learned his right as a revolutionary soldier, but has been unsuccessful owing to the greater (but proper) circumspection of the war department. His certificate bears date of the 13th of January 1819 upon which he made perhaps 3 drawls, he therefore hopes he will be reinstated and permitted to commence drawing where he quit upon said certificate, all which will appear by the papers in relation thereto at the war department from Lexington --

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed --He has no debts due him or in expectancy except what he now asks from his government -- he now has one a mare about 16 years old as a present from his son worth \$30, on the 18th day of March 1818 and as well as he recollects he had two red cows worth \$16 and dark Bay horse then about 13 years old, then worth about \$40, all which cows & horse have died since 1818. His wife died in the year 1800, his occupation is that of a farmer but is too old & infirm to work. He is not a housekeeper and is dependent upon his friends for a support has no family, he again states that on the 18th March 1818 he had the 2 cows and the horse all worth \$56, his mare which is now worth \$30.

S/ James Corothers [sic]

Sworn to and declared on the 20th day of April 1832 before William L. Kelly judge of the Jessamine Circuit Court

S/ William L. Kelly

[fn p. 23]

State of Kentucky City of Lexington

This day personally appeared before me mare of the City aforesaid James Carothers and made the following statement on oath to wit: that he was put upon the pension roll under the act of the 18th Marched 1818 and having been struck from the same was recently continued on said Roll as a Revolutionary Soldier or private in the Company commanded by ___

and in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Pogue (North Carolina) and that his present place of residence is Jessamine County State of Kentucky which was also his place of residence when he made the first and 2nd applications and that now he wishes to be admitted to draw his pension under the Act of the 7th of June 1832. If so admitted he hereby relinquishes his right to any other pension.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Lexington, this 25th day of August 1832

S/ Charlton Hunt

[facts in file: veteran died July 11, 1835; veterans wife (not named) died in 1800; there is no

family data in this file other than as reflected above.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service in the North Carolina Continental line.]