Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Carter S10435 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 28 July 2012.

State of Kentucky Cumberland County Sct.

This day personally came before me Harold P. Saufley a Justice of the peace in and for said County, Mr. Charles Carter a Citizen of this County, aged Seventy three years who made oath that he enlisted into the Army of the revolution on the Continental establishment on the [blank] day of February 1777 for the term of three years in Essex County Virginia; that he was enlisted either by Captain Henry Garnett or Captain Thomas Upsher [sic: Thomas Upshaw], both being present at the time of my enlistment, I was attached to and served under Colo. Charles Dabney and Major [John] Lee. That the said Charles Carter served the full Term of three years from the date of his enlistment, and was honorably discharged in Fredericksburg Virginia in February 1780 by the said Major Lee & which discharge said Carter left in the State of Virginia, when he removed to Kentucky. That he was in the Battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778]. Sworn to & subscribed before me this 25th day of December 1830 Charles hisXmark Carter

State of Kentucky } Sec't. Cumberland County }

On this 13th day of August 1832 Charles Carter personally appeared in Court then sitting aged 74 years, who first being duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath make the following declaration in Order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress pased June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in Feb'y. 1777 as an inlisted soaldier to serve three years in the Virginia State Troops, and in the 2^d. Regment. Capt. Henry Garnet; Lieu'nt. Waller [probably Edmund Waller] were the Officers we marched to Williamsburg, and from there we went to Yourk [sic: Yorktown] quartered there until the Spring following; We were Enoculated for the small pox. From thence through Fredricksburgh [sic: Fredericksburg] we marched to the Vally Forge [sic: Valley Forge] Camp where Gen'l. Washington lay with the Army in the State of Pensylvania. In a short time after we reached Headquarters, the Brittish evacuated Phillidelphia [sic: Philadelphia, 18 Jun 1778], we persued them and in June we attacked the army at Monmouth Court House Our Redg't. was marched into the field of Battle, but withdrawn as Gen'l. [Charles] Lee disobeyed Orders, and had a trial by Court Martial At that place Maj'r. Fontleroy [probably Capt. Henry Fauntleroy] was kiled by a Cannon Ball from the Enemy. Gen'l. Mulinburgh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] commanded our Brigade.

We marched Back to a Water Course, and our Brigade stayed there until the Prisoners that were taken in that Battle came by. We afterwards marched back to the Battleground and lay on our Arms that night. From there we marched to Brunswick River in New Jersey as well as I recollect, where we lay until the 4th of July where for a day or two the army was rejoicing, on Acc't of the Anniversary of our independence, together with the Victory at Monmoth.

We marched from there to White Plains, where we were quartered a considerable time. From there we marched to North River, near West Point. We marched from there to Middle Brook or Bon Brook [sic: Middlebrook or Bound Brook NJ] where we took up Winter quarters. the Campaign following we marched back to North River where Gen'l Wane [sic: Anthony Wayne] took Stony point [16 Jul 1779]; Our brigade was wating to ade Wane if necessary, and after taking the fort aided in carrying out the publick stores, Cannon &c &c A little Fort caled Foulers Hook, or Powels Hook [sic: Paulus Hook NJ, 19 Aug 1779], was stormed, and the Prisoners about 70 or 80 taken and we guarded them to Phil'dla At the close of that Campain, we were marched near Morristown

We had orders to march to Virginia to Fredricburgh; and stayed there until we were discharged. Serving my Tour of three years. Then to get my bounty Land I lodged my discharge in the Audoters Office in

Richmond

I hereby relinquish every Claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the Pension Rool of the agency of any State.

I was raised in Essex County Virginia, I moved to Chesterfield in 1782 and in 1810 to Cumberland County Kentucky where I have resided ever since. Given under my hand the day and year first above mentioned. [signed] Charles Carter