Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jeremiah Power (Power) S11260
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State of Kentucky Pendleton County: Sct.

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court now sitting Jeremiah Power, a resident of said County of Pendleton and State 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 the Act of Congress passed 7th day of June 1832. That he came to the District of Kentucky in the fall of 1779 – he acted in the capacity of a Ranger & Spy; at which time he was appointed a spy against the Indians at Strode's Station on the waters of Main Licking River and the now District of Kentucky under Colonel Horatio Hall, and continued to act as such until 1793; during which time he was under different commanders, to wit, Captain John Morrison, Captain David Hughs, Captain James McMillin, Captain James McKentire: He was in the campaign of Vincennes on the Wabash River under General George Rogers Clark, in the fall of 1786, at which time he served as a Spy – Colonel Levi Todd was my Colonel – the winter of 1786 he returned to the District of Kentucky and in the spring 1787 he was detailed as a spy and continued to act as such until a separation of this State from Virginia, which I think was in 1790 or 1791. I then continued as a spy after the separation until October 1793 I hereby relinquish any claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present – and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State of the Union.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/J. Power

[The above is a copy taken from the court records]

We Robert Taylor & John H Barker do voluntarily declare that we have been acquainted with the declarant Jeremiah Power from the year 79 & 80 and know that he was engaged against the Indians and believe he has correctly stated as to his services in his declaration. Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Robert Taylor S/ John H Barker

I do certify that I have examined the declaration of Jeremiah Power and his narrative & statement of facts as to his services as a Spy corresponds with precisely with the custom of the Country, gallant & wary persons were selected to keep constantly in motion as spies to keep the [indecipherable word or words] settlements warned of threatened danger. It was generally faithfully discharged = the Duty was arduous & the danger great. The person employed was constantly in motion sometimes at short & at other times great distances from the stations which the white people occupied. I know Strode's Station it is truly represented by said Powell &

taking into view my knowledge of his character & seeing his appointment as a Spy I have no doubt he served 2 years before the close of the revolution in 1783.

S/ Rh. Johnson 4th Jan. 1833

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]