Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Proctor S11270 Transcribed by Will Graves f31VA 11/30/12

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State of Kentucky Estill County: SS

On this 17th day of July 1832 personally appeared in open Court before me Richard French, Sole & Presiding Judge for the Circuit Court for the circuit of Estill aforesaid now sitting Joseph Proctor a resident of the County of Estill aforesaid aged 76 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 7, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated –

That in 1777 he lived upon Holston River in Virginia, does not recollect the name of the County at that time, that he was drafted in the Militia in that year & served a tour of duty against the Cherokee Indians under Captain Aaron Lewis, Colonel Will Campbell [William Campbell] commanded – was absent about one month. In 1778 he enlisted in the Virginia State Troops under Captain Riddle & came to Kentucky to protect the Country against the Indians & was stationed at Boonesboro in the now County of Madison, the first year at Boonesboro he was under the command of Captain Benjamin Logan – that he reached Boonesboro in April 1778 – that during the year 1778 & part of the year 79 he did duty in the Fort at Boonesboro as a Soldier & was engaged in Scouting parties – was at Boonesboro during the great siege of 1778 – that in 1779 he thinks it was, he went out under Captain Logan, General George Rogers Clark commanding, crossed the Ohio River where Cincinnati now stands, went to old Chillicothe or the Shawneetons [sic, Shawnee Towns?] & also to the Piqua Towns & destroyed them – In 1780 he went a campaign across the Ohio against the Indians under Captain Vincent, General Clark commanding – that in the year 1780 he was part of the [indecipherable word] under Captain James Estill, acted under him as a Soldier & an Indian Spy – & continued to act as such till Estill's defeat in 1782, when said Estill was killed – that he was in said Battle – that in 1786 he was in a campaign against the Indians under General Logan across the Ohio – that from 1778 he acted during the revolutionary War as a soldier or an Indian Spy. That he has no written evidence in his possession of his services – That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

[Samuel Kelly, a clergyman, and Mathias Horn gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Joseph Proctor

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia service.]