Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Francis Mann S13826
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State of Kentucky } Sct Harrison County }

On this 10th day of December 1832 before us William Furnish, Larkin Garnett and Lewin Day constituting the County Court of Harrison County which is a court of record now sitting, appeared Francis Mann a resident of Harrison County in the State of Kentucky aged nearly seventy four years having been born on the 30th day of January 1759, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his Oath make the following declaration in Order to obtain the benefit of the law of Congress passed June 7th 1832. He states that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, that in the later part of March or first of April 1776 he enlisted into the minute service of Virginia under Capt. Francis Goode & James Moody was Leut. for one year; that the services performed during this term consisted of mustering two days per month until called for into active service. This was continued until about the first of Sept. 1776 when the company was ordered into actual service. That they mustered from Chesterfield County, where this declarant had & then resided to Portsmouth Va. and some time about the last of Nov. he was dismissed for home whither he went. That after that, He moved to Guilford County North Carolina and some time after he had been there he was entered as a substitute for [blank space] Allen for three months in June 1780 under Capt Peter Oneale [sic: Peter O'Neal] & Wm Bethel Liut, in the regiment commanded by Colo Potterfield [sic: probably Charles Porterfield] & Major [John] Armstrong of the light infantry under Genl [Griffith] Rutherford. That he marched from home and to & through various quarters of the intermediate country until the forces came to near Gum creek [sic: Gum Swamp about 6 miles N of Camden | South Carolina where the battle in which Genl [Horatio] Gates was defeated was fought [16 Aug 1780], at which the americans were defeated and this declarant with the ballance of his Company escaped home and never were called upon afterwards, his time being allmost out. That he received no written discharge for either of his s'd. tours of duty being simply verbally dismissed. That he believe he was in the actual service of Virginia & North Carolina for the United States upwards of six months including the two several tours above alluded to. He states that he was born in Chesterfield Va. on the 30th day of January 1759. That he has no record of his age, it was on his fathers Bible but he knows not what has become of that. He states that he resided when he served the first named tour in Chesterfield County Va. & then moved to Guilford County North Carolina as afores'd. where he resided when he entered the service for the second tour. That he has lived most of his time since Cornwallis's surrender [19 Oct 1781] in Kentucky, for he was on his way to Kentucky when that surrender took place. That he has resided in Harrison County Ky ever since the year 1792 and now resides there. He states that there is no person living, that he knows of, by whom he can prove his services. He hereby relinquishes every claim what ever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension rolls of the agency of any State or Territory whatever [signed] Francis Mann