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Pension Application of David Arnett S14924

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State of Kentucky, County of Barren Sct

On this 18th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judge of the Circuit Court for the County and Circuit of Barren now sitting, David Arnett a resident of the said County of Barren in the State aforesaid aged eighty 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 June 1832: That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated: That he served a tour of duty for one month in the Virginia militia in the early part of the revolutionary war, in the year 1776, according to his recollection – that he was drafted in the County of Louisa, Virginia, where he then resided & served under Capt. [Robert] Mosby – the Col. of the Regiment or Majors not recollected. – he marched with his company in a direction to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg], Va, to which place it was ordered; and when the said company had arrived near to that place, within four miles as it was said, it was ordered to return, and the said Arnetts term of service having expired, he was discharged near Williamsburgh & returned home. That he served another tour of one month during the said revolutionary war under Capt. [Garrett] Minor being drafted – he does not recollect the names of any of his other officers. He farther states, that he was drafted for, and did serve four other tours of duty of one month each in the said war, but cannot recollect his officers, or the particulars of his service. He well recollects, however, that he was discharged from his last tour at a place called Mobbin Hills [sic: Malvern Hill 15 mi SE of Richmond], just before the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown [19 Oct 1781]. He also recollects that during a part of his service he was under the command of Gen'l. [Anthony] Wayne, & at one time under the command of the Marquis La Fayette [Gen. Marquis de Lafayette]. He resided in Louisa County Virginia, at each time when he entered the service. He was never in any battle or engagement, and does not recollect the particular year or years in which the service was performed except as before stated. He farther states that he has no documentary evidence, & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service except James Bibb [pension application S30865], whose testimony will accompany this Declaration. In answer to the Interrogatories prescribed by the war department the said Arnett saith, that he was born, according to his information & belief, in Louisa County Virginia, on the 18th June 1752 – that he hath, at home, a record of his age, which was taken from his fathers old Bible – the fourth question is already answered. That he can state the names of no officers but those already named. That he does not recollect whether he received written discharges or not, & has none in his possession to his knowledge. In answer to the 7th Interrogatory he names Elias Smith, Pearce Wade & [blank] and could name many others [neighbors who could testify to his character for veracity and belief in his services]. The said David Arnett hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. David hisXmark Arnett