Pension Application of Daniel Ashby S14927 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Kentucky } County of Hopkins } Ss

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of Hopkins County aforesaid now sitting Daniel Ashby Sen'r. a resident in the County & State aforesaid aged nearly seventy three 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers & served as herein stated

He states that he was born in Frederick County in the State of Virginia on the 30th of August 1759 that he removed to Hampshire County in s'd state & in the year 1780 was there drafted for six months and served under Capt Daniel Richardson and Colo Glen of the Virginia Militia. that he rendezvoused at Moorefield in s'd. County of Hampshire and marched thence thro Staunton to Hillsborough in [Nort]h Carolina, thence to Charlotte where he joined the army under General [Horatio] Gates where he said, he (Ashby), was at Charlotte when General N. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene, early Dec 1780] assumed the command of the continental Army previously commanded by General Gates. He marched thence with the army under Green to Salisberry [sic: Salisbury], thence to the Cheraw Hills in S. Carolina where the army encamped until after Morgans [Gen. Daniel Morgan's, 17 Jan 1781] victory at the Cowpens - he then marched to the trading ford on the Adkin river [sic: Yadkin River near Salisbury, 4 - 5 Feb], thence to Guilford C. House where he saw Gen'l. Morgan & Colo. Green of the Continental Army, he marched thence to Hillsborough and was there detached to aid in guarding the prisoners taken by Morgan at the Cowpens to Albemale [sic: Albemarle] Barracks in Va. after performing which service he was marched home and discharged – he received a written discharge signed as he believes by his Capt. Richardson, but hath lost the same he served out his full term of six months He further states that he served in the brigade of Gen'l. [Edward] Stevens of Va.

He further states that early in the year 1781 this applicant was appointed Ensign in the Va militia in Hampshire County afs'd. his Commission signed by the Governor of Va. has been lost – he thinks Thomas Jefferson was the Governor who signed the same

He further states that he returned from his s'd. tour to the Carolinas he thinks in April 1781 and from that time until November in the same year he acted in his capacity of Ensign against the Tories in Hampshire County & the adjacent Counties first under Capt Wilton & Col Vanmeater [probably Vanmeter] & afterwards under Capt. Thomas Neale & Major Vincent Williams – Vanmeater was not in the field but he being Colonel of the County this applicant considered himself & his Capt as acting under Vanmeaters orders. He further states that the commander of the Tories or one of them at least was by the name of [John] Claypoole. He further states that his said serving against the Tories was performed as a volunteer

He further states that in November 1781 in Hampshire County afs'd. he was in his capacity of Ensign aforesaid drafted or ordered on a tour of three months & that he served out the same at Winchester in Va. in guarding the prisoners captured by General Washington at York Town [19 Oct 1781] – does not recollect whether he received a written discharge if he did he hath lost the same

He further states that after the Revolution he removed to Mercer County Ky. & from thence to the County of Hopkins aforesaid where he now resides – He has no documentary evidence and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services except George Timmons [pension

application S11553] of Hopkins afs'd. & he only in part [first tour] – his deposition marked A is hereunto attached

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 roll of the agency of any state

[signed] Daniel Ashby Sen'r.

NOTE: A document in the file states that Ashby died on 13 Sep 1836.