Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Patrick Brown S16325 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Indiana, Jefferson County

On this 4th day of Sept. 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County Indiana, now setting Patrick Brown a resident of the county and State aforesaid, aged 72 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 he was Drafted in May 1778 or 9 and served under Capt. Winston [probably John Winston], Ensign Edward Cook, Col. Dandridge [William Dandridge] & Col. William Johnson - and was discharged in the summer following - That he lived in Hanover County Virginia when he entered the service-Marched from New Castle, their place of Rendezvous, to Williamsburg the then seat of government was in no battle. -- That he turned out in the year following as a volunteer and served under Capt. Elisha White, Lieutenant Nicholas – Ensign John White - Lt. Col. Monroe, Major Mercer - Col. Gibson first took command & was succeeded by Col. Parker – Mulenburgh [sic, Muhlenberg] was their General - Marched from New Castle to Richmond Thence down James river to Burrel's ferry [probably Burwell's ferry] - there crossed and marched towards the British Army - came within hearing of the enemy and remained until they embarked - thence up the Petersburg where after remaining sometime they were discharged, had some little Skirmishing in Nansemond County, but no regular battle - That he was drafted in the Fall following and served as sergeant under Lieutenant John Meredith, Major Dick & Col. Pleasant marched first to Richmond thence to Williamsburg, where Genl. Nelson took the command & continued there until the immediate danger was thought to be over - thence towards Richmond - was discharged between Williamsburg & Richmond sometime about Christmas - Was drafted in the Summer of 1781 and served as Sergeant under Capt. Elisha Meredith, Ensign Edward Cook - Col. Morris -Marched to Richmond, at which place Lafayette took the command, thence retreated up the river towards Charlottesville bore off to the right and marched into Goochland County - thence he thinks into Louisa and continued there until Cornwallis retreated down to York - was then discharged - served this time about two months -

Entered Service as Volunteer in the month of August 1782 with Capt. John Martin, Lieutenant Thomas Montgomery & Col. Ben Logan [Benjamin Logan] - Marched from Lincoln County to Lexington - thence to Bryant's station thence to the Blue Licks – thence returned home -

Served as Sergeant Major in October of the same year under Col. Ben Logan, Lieutenant Col. John Logan & Major McGaley - Marched from Lincoln County by Lexington thence by Bryant's Station - to the mouth of Licking river where Genl. Clarke took the command, crossed the river and went to New Chillicothe on the Little Miami river, thence returned home - had some Skirmishing but no regular battle - That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service - He 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 and subscribed the day and year aforesaid -

S/ Patrick Brown {Seal}

In my del Ason

We Richard C. Talbott residing in the County of Jefferson and State of Indiana and James F. D. Lanier residing in the same hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Patrick Brown, who has Subscribed and Sworn to the above Declaration; that we believe him to be 72 years of age; that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

soldier of the revolution, and that we concur in that opinion

S/R. C. Talbott {seal} S/ J.F.D. Lanier {seal}

To interrogatories propounded by the Court agreeably to the Pension Act, Applicant made the following answers, to wit,

To question

1 st --- In Hanover County Virginia in the year 1760 2 d --- have no record of my age

3 d --- In Hanover County Va. - lived in that part of Virginia now called Kentucky - and in the State of Indiana, where I now live since the revolutionary War.

4 th --- Twice as a Volunteer & four times drafted ---

5 th --- An answer to this question is contained in the foregoing part of this my declaration 6 th --- Don't remember that I ever did writing

7th --- Col. Talbott & J.F.D. Lanier Esq.

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State of Indiana Jefferson County

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County & State aforesaid Patrick Brown, who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades: For Six months and a half I served as a private soldier; For four months I served as Sergeant; For two months and a half I served as Sergeant Major; and for such service I claim a pension - My reason for not procuring the certificate of a clergyman to my Declaration above was that I did not consider it absolutely necessary and it was more convenient for me to get the certificates of two

respectable private citizens -

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2d day of January 1833

S/ Patrick Brown {Seal}

S/J. Pugh, J. Peace

[Note: A note in the file indicates that the veteran died November 29, 1835.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$54.16 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 15 days and as a Sgt. for 6 months and 15 days in the Virginia service.]