

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Berry S2070

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The State of Ohio } SS Court of Common Pleas

Butler County } July Term 1832 –

On this first day of August eighteen hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for Butler County Ohio Thomas Berry aged seventy 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 by enlistment in the army of the United States at a place called the fallen waters on Potomac river in Berkley County Virginia [sic: Falling Waters in Berkeley County in present West Virginia] (of which County & State he was a resident) on the fourteenth day of February seventeen hundred and seventy eight at which time he enlisted for the period of three years in the company of Capt'n John Culp belonging to the 4th Regiment commanded by Colonel John Mitchell in the Brigade or Division under Gen'l Morgan [see endnote] – that Henry Prodinge was the Lieut Samuel Light Ensign & Charles Collins orderly Sargeant of the company aforesaid. That deponent states that he was marched to Winchester in Virginia where a portion of the Regt to which aforesaid and the entire Company of Capt'n Culp remained for about seven months – that from thence the said Company was taken to Albemarle County and from thence to Alexandria now in the District of Columbia where they remained for about four weeks after which they were again ordered to Winchester where they were engaged in guarding Hessian Prisoners & at which place he was principally detained during the period of his service. Deponent further states that about eight hundred of the troops stationed at Winchester were ordered to march to South Carolina, among which was the Company to which he belonged – that the Company of Capt Culp and of Capt Ulsinger were detained on their march to guard baggage waggons at the distance of about six miles from the battle of the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781] in which battle all the other companies of said force of eight hundred were engaged & that after said Battle they returned to Winchester, where this deponent was discharged after having served as an enlisted Soldier in the army of the United States for the period of two years – having enlisted for three years unless sooner discharged Deponent further states that he received a written discharge signed by Col John Mitchel as well as by Capt John Culp, which said certificate this deponent left with his brother in Berkley County Virginia who has since died and from whose descendants deponent has been unable after frequent enquiries to obtain said certificate or any certain information about the same – He was born in the town of Carlisle Pennsylvania on the twenty fifth day of August seventeen hundred and sixty one of which he has no record & he has resided in this state since seventeen hundred & ninety three and has been a resident of Butler County for twenty nine years

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any state

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Thomas hisXmark Berry

NOTES:

“Gen'l. Morgan” was presumably Daniel Morgan, although Morgan was not made General until 13 Oct 1780. I could find no record of any of the other officers mentioned.

Thomas Berry's declaration was certified by his son, Thomas G. Berry.