Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Byerly S22672

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State of Pennsylvania } Ss County of Westmoreland }

On this twenty second day of May eighteen hundred and thirty three personally appeared in open Court in the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County being a Court of Record Jacob Byerly a resident of North Huntingdon Township in said County & State aged seventy three years who being duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the Benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the County of Westmoreland aforesaid in the month of May 1777 with Lieutenant Kelly in Captain Heath's [probably Henry Heth's] Company in the 13th Virginia Regiment then commanded by Colonel [John] Gibson, for the term of three years. That he served in the same regiment for and during the full term of three years under the following named officers viz: Gen'l. [Edward] Hand – Gen'l. [Lachlan] McIntosh & Colonel [Daniel] Brodhead commanding officers – and under Captain's Heath, [Uriah] Springer & Harden – and Lieutenants Kelly, Heath & others whose names declarant has forgotten. Declarant was in the Tuscarawas Campaign [at Fort Laurens near present Bolivar OH, winter 1778-79] – in the Square[?] Campaign under Gen'l Brodhead [probably Brodhead's expedition against the Indians on Allegheny River, Aug and Sep 1779]. During the whole of declarants term of service the Regiment had his head quarters at Fort Pitt (now Pittsburgh) from whence detachments were marched from time to time against the Indians for the protection of the frontier. Declarant further states that after his term of service had expired he was discharged at Pittsburgh and received a written discharge from Captain Heath - that he gave this discharge to one Captain Tannehill to enable him to settle with the accounting officers for declarants pay. That said Tannehill never returned the same to this declarant but informed him he had to leave it with the accounting officers.

I have never received a pension of any kind and I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of any Agency in any state

[signed] Jacob Byerly

NOTE: A document in the file states that Byerly died on 7 July 1858.