Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Dugless (Douglass) S2517 fn15NC
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State of Tennessee Washington County: April Term 1833

On this 16th day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of said Court now sitting John Douglass a resident citizen of the County & State above said aged sixty-nine years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated to wit that being a native citizen of Surry County North Carolina, born therein on the 18th March 1764, according to the account given him by his parents (though no record is preserved thereof) he in the fall of the year 1780 the month of October as well as recollected was drafted in said Surry County State of North Carolina to perform a tour of duty in the militia of said State against the Indians then in hostility to the Colonies, that said draft was for a three months tour of duty under Captain Jesse Franklin, and rendezvoused at Wilkesborough now Wilkes County I was put under the command of Colonel Benjamin Hearn, and was under his command marched to the Catawba & [indecipherable word looks like "Swano" and might be a reference to the Swannanoa] rivers against the Catawba & Cherokee Indians & there were stationed in guarding the frontier until the expiration of his term of three months, and was discharged by Captain White to whom he had been transferred on said campaign which discharge he has lost in the great lapse of time. That after his return home the Tories had assembled in the quarter of the Country in which he resided in he volunteered to go in pursuit of them & was in the spring of 1781 & summer on three different tours with short intervals between again said Tories under Captain Kerby and Colonel Cleveland which in the three tours he was out in actual service was four months for which he never obtained no discharge but served as aforesaid under Captain Kerby, said three tours and under Captain Franklin several others of which the time was so short he cannot pretend to give it in. That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his said 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, and that there is no minister of the Gospel in his vicinity by whom he can establish the proof of reputation contained in the instructions from the War Department.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written.

S/ Daniel Barkley

S/ John Dugless

S/ Hz. Boyle

S/ Archibald Goosecock

[Loyd Ford and Amon Hall [could be Amon Hale] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]