Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Christian Perkins S25829 Transcribed by Will Graves

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District of Kentucky Garrard County

pursuant to a commission to me directed from the Honorable John Boyle Judge of the district Court for the District of Kentucky bearing date the 19th of January 1829 to take evidence for the purpose of substantiating his Christian Perkins of the County of Garrard and District aforesaid to be placed on the Pension list of the United States by reason of known wounds I Benj. [?] Fetcher Commissioner as aforesaid calls Christian Perkins to come before me this 8th of November 1829 who states on oath that he is the Identical Christian Perkins named in the affidavit of James Kennedy & William Simmons , That he never has been placed on the Pension List of any State , that he has repeatedly applied to be placed on the Pension list but from some cause failed he applied through the Honorable Tho. T. Davis a member of Congress from Kentucky 30 years past & failed also applied through the Honorable John Boyle & failed this affiant further states that his occupation is that of a farmer.

S/ Christian Perkins, X his mark

District of Kentucky Garrard County Sct.

Pursuant to a Commission to me directed from the Honorable John Boyle Judge of the District Court for the district of Kentucky bearing date 14th of January 1829 to take evidence for the purpose of substantiating the claim of Christian Perkins of the County of Garrard and district of Kentucky to be placed on the pension list of the United States by reason of known wounds.

I Benjamin Fetcher of the County of Garrard and District aforesaid calls to come before me William Simms of the County of Garrard and District of Kentucky a Credible Witness & being by me commission as aforesaid first duly sworn Declared upon oath that he is well acquainted with Christian Perkins of Garrard County & District of Kentucky & has known him for upwards of fifty years and that he served in the 7th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Nelson with said Perkins that said Regiment was on Continental establishment that said Perkins belonged to the Company of Captain M. Jouett [Matthew Jouett] and that said Perkins served out his Term in Credit, that said Perkins was wounded in the Battle with the British at German Town [Germantown, October 4, 1777] being badly shot this affiant did not actually see him shot in the engagement, but he has no hesitation whatever in declaring to the best of his knowledge he the said C. Perkins is the very identical man who was wounded in the aforesaid Engagement – That he has known said Perkins very intimately for the last twenty odd years in the State of Kentucky having lived only a few miles from him during that period. That the said Perkins after receiving said wound this affiant believes he returned to the place of his residence in the State of Virginia from which place he emigrated to Kentucky upwards of thirty years ago. This affiant further states that said C. Perkins has always since his acquaintance with him, pursued the occupation of

a Farmer. That he has never understood that said Perkins was placed upon the Pension list of any State whatever.

S/ William Sims¹

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District of Kentucky County of Garrard Sct.

Pursuant to a Commission to me directed from the Honorable John Boyle Judge of the District Court of the United States for the District of Kentucky bearing date 14th of January 1829 to take evidence for the purpose of substantiating the Claim of Christian Perkins of the County of Garrard & District of Kentucky to be placed on the pension list of the United States by reason of known wounds received in the Revolutionary War I Benjamin Fetcher of the County of Garrard and District of Kentucky calls to come before me on this 15th day of January in the year 1828 Robert McConnell & George Mason to Respectable Surgeons of the County of Garrard aforesaid & Town of Lancaster and after being first sworn states

By satisfactory Evidence and accurate examination it appears that Christian Perkins received a wound in his right thigh at the Battle at a place called German Town being engaged with the British, That said Perkins was wounded in the Hip & thigh, that a shot is now perceptible in his thigh by reason of which wounds are much less & several inches shorter and he is thereby not only incapacitated for Military duty but in the opinion of the undersigned is totally disabled from obtaining his subsistence by manual labor, said Perkins has resided in the aforesaid County of Garrard upwards of 30 years from the best information that can be obtained.

S/ Robt McConnell, Surgeon

S/Geo. B. Mason, Surg.

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District of Kentucky County of Polaski: Sct.

Pursuant to a Commission to me Directed by the Honorable John Boyle, Judge of the District Court of the United States, for the District of Kentucky bearing date the 24th day of October in the year 1827, to take Evidence for the purpose of substantiating the claim of Christian Perkins of the County of Garrard and District of Kentucky to be placed on the Pension list of the United States by reason of known wounds received in said War, or [indecipherable word], as prescribed in the 4th Section of an Act concerning Invalid Pensioners, passed the 25th day of April 1828, I William Fox of the County of Pulaski and District of Kentucky caused to come personally before me on this 10th day of November in the year 1827, James Kennedy, of

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¹ William Sims S37395

the County of Pulaski aforesaid a credible Witness and being by me William Fox Commissioner appointed as aforesaid first duly sworn declared on his Oath, that he is personally, and well acquainted with Christian Perkins, now of the County of Garrard and District of Kentucky, and that he the said Christian Perkins was enlisted in the 7th Virginia Regiment on Continental Establishment commanded by Colonel Nelson, in the Company of Captain Jouit's [sic] and that he enlisted owner about the 7th day of October in the year 1774 and that he the said Christian Perkins, did actively serve in the Corps aforesaid for the Term of about 2 years before the Battle of Germantown when, and where the said Christian Perkins, was wounded in the his thigh, so as to disable him from rendering or performing Duty, or Service &c But that the said Christian Perkins's Term for which he enlisted as aforesaid had not expired by some months, but states he cannot say how many. But as to the Conduct of the said Christian Perkins, while a soldier in the Service of his country as aforesaid, he not only, to my knowledge Discharged the Duties assigned him &c but fought bravely in several engagements, or actions, against the common enemy, for I the said James Kennedy was near him in several Actions, and that he fought to my opinion with as much encourage and discharged his Duty as faithfully as any man, or one, in my view, at said times, or engagements. And I further state and declare that the said Christian Perkins faithfully as I believe and ever understood performed every other duty assigned, or required of him, as a Soldier while in the Service of his country aforesaid, with punctuality, and in a manner becoming a Soldier, and the said James Kennedy, further states that to the best of his knowledge & recollection that the said Christian Perkins, reenlisted in the service of his country after the expiration of his Term had expired for the further Term of 3 years making in the whole a service of about 5 years.

James Kennedy Konnedg

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing December 28, 1828, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]