

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Goe S30436

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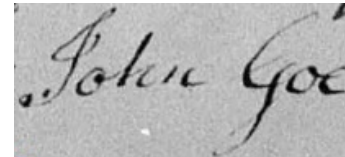
on this 23rd day of oct. 1834 John Goe aged 74 years personally appeared before me [blank] a justice of the peace in and for county of Shelby and one of the judges of the county court for the same and after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

This declarent states that he was residing in Fayette County then State of Va. since thrown into the state of Pennsylvania when he entered the service of the United States and served as herein stated and under the following named officers.

That in the winter of '75 & '76 [sic] he the said declarent with others was ordered out being drafted under Capt. Freeman to guard the magazine at Brownsville, then called red stone old fort and protect it from the tories, here he remained Two months under Col. Brown at the expiration of which time he was verbally discharged by the Col. and returned home, and in the following spring a call was made for volunteers to guard the frontiers at a place on the ohio river called logstown [[opposite present Aliquippa PA], that he volunteered for one month and served that tour under Capt Crow in guarding the frontiers against the incursions of the Indians at the expiration of which tour he returned home being verbally discharged where after remaining a few days he became a substitute for his Father who had been drafted into the same kind of service for one month but being of a feeble constitution and not very able-bodied he the said declarent did become a substitute in his stead & served this tour of one month and guarding the frontiers as before under the same Capt Crow there being no higher officers that Capt. he was again verbally discharged & returned home where he remained until about the 12th of the following Oct. when he was drafted for a tour of Two months & was sent on to join Gen. MacIntosh [sic: Lachlan McIntosh] who was then erecting a fort on the Ohio River called Fort MacIntosh [sic: Fort McIntosh at present Beaver PA, begun Sep 1778], here he & his party which consisted of about 30 men joined the party under Gen. MacIntosh where they remained until the fort was completed when they were marched about 30 miles [sic] back into the country to erect another fort, this was thrown up on the waters of Tuscarora & he thinks the fort was called Fort Tuscara or Tuscarauway [sic: Fort Laurens on Tuscarawas River at present Bolivar OH, constructed 10 Nov 1778 - Jan 1779], in the erecting this fort they endured great hardship & excessive fatigue labouring under the disadvantage of having the timber for the fort to carry, there being no possible chance of hauling having no horses. After the completion of this fort he was verbally discharged by his officer & returned home a few days before christmass.

He states he has no documentary evidence of his service nor knows of any living witness by whom he can prove his service. From old age and bodily infirmity he is unable to appear in open court to make his declaration.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state or territory



Answers to the interrogatories prescribed by law.

I was born in Prince George county state of Maryland in 1760 as left on record in my Father's register at the age of Twelve years I was taken with the rest of the family by my Father into Fayette county state of Pennsylvania where I was living when I entered the service & where I remained until the year 1780

when I came to Shelby county Ky. where I lived until a short time past when I moved to Old Ham [Oldham] County Ky. where I now live. I was twice drafted into the service for Two month each time. I volunteered for a tour of one month, & was a substitute one month for my Father. On my first tour there was Col. Brown. on my second & third there were no officers higher than Capt. & I was under Capt Crow I have forgotten the others names. On my fourth & last tour I was under the immediate command of Gen. MacIntosh. I do not recollect any other officers I was always discharged verbally by my officers. I will name Nathaniel Dowden & John Metcalfe who can certify to my character for veracity & their belief of my services as a revolutionary soldier