Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Nicholas Blankenbaker S30872 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Kentucky

Shelby County Sct.

On this 20th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the County Court of Shelby County now sitting, Nicholas Blankenbaker, resident of Shelbyville in the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky, aged 73 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 under the following officers and served as herein stated. That he was drafted in March 1781 for the term of eighteen months, in the County of Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] and State of Virginia, and was mustered into service at Powatan [sic: Powhatan] Courthouse, in the company commanded by Capt. Stokely in the Regiment Commanded by Col Gaskin [sic: Thomas Gaskins], whose Major was Major Polston [sic: John Poulson]. That he was taken sick and left in the Hospital at Charlottesville. when he joined the army again he was commanded by Capt. [John] Overton, was marched down to the seige of of York and joined the main Army, continued at York until the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781], was then marched to Cumberland old Court House eight miles from Carters ferry [now Cartersville] on James River for winter quarters, and commanded by Capt [William Lewis] Lovely, remained at that place until some time in February, and then was marched to Savanna in Gergia [sic: Savannah GA] under the command of Capt Scott [Joseph Scott, Jr.], Major Finly [sic: Samuel Finley] and Col. [Thomas] Posey and General [Anthony] Wayne, Continued at that place until the British evacuated Savanna [11 Jul 1782], then was marched by General Wayne to join General Green near Charles town [sic: Nathanael Greene, near Charleston], continued there until his time expired, and was then marched by a Continental officer whose name is not recollected to Cumberland old Court house where he received his discharge on the first of November 1782. That he was in the battle at York, in a skirmish under General Wayne near Savanna, and another skirmish near the Widow Givens in Georgia [sic: Widow Gibbons's near Sharon, 24 May 1782] He the said Nicholas Blankenbaker 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 of Territory. [signed] Nicholas Blankenbaker