

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Patrick Coyle S30952 VA
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[Capitalization and punctuation partly corrected.]

State of Kentucky }

Wayne county } on this the 26th day of August 1833 personally appeared before me Benjamin Hancock an acting Justice of the peace for the county of Wayne aforesaid Patrick Coyle a resident citizen of the county of Wayne State of Kentucky aged Seventy years agreeable To his best information having no record of his age, and after being duly sworn for that purpose on his oath makes the following Declaration in order To obtain the Benefit of the act of Congress of the 7 June 1832.

That he entered the service of the united States in the Revolutionary War in Washington County State of Virginia some time in the month of October the day of the month not remembered and he believes in the fall of one thousand seven hundred and Eighty under capt Lewis [possibly Aaron Lewis] his first name not remember'd Lieutenant James Hawkins he entered said service as a volunteer to serve against the indians and march'd to Dump's creek [Dumps Creek in present Russell County] and station'd awhile and from there to the place of the Newgarden Settlement [New Garden in Russell County] and went on various places west of Greenbrier was in two skirmishes with the Indians nor far from Sandy river went to a great many different points and finally returned home some time in the month of December ensuing year after his entering the service having continued in service precisely twelve months he was discharged by his said Capt Lewis about twenty miles from the place where he fist started from. he had a written discharge from the hands of his said Capt Lewis expressing that it was for one year's service. he has in some way lost or destroy'd his said discharge he is not certain in what way and has no written or documentary evidence of his services and knows of no certain person that he can prove his services by. that there would be any chance of procuring the evidence of applicant was born in the western part of Virginia he is of opinion that it was not in the bounds of any laid out county at that time and was brought to Washington County and continued in Washington County Virginia untill he was about forty years of age and was married and had seven children and moved to Smith County West Tennessee and staid there three years and then moov'd to Wayne County Kentucky where he has liv'd for the last twenty seven years applicant hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state, and that there is no clergyman any place immediately convenient to be gotten as there is none in his immediate neighborhood
[signed] Patrick Coyle

State of Kentucky }

Wayne County } on this the [blank] day of December 1833 personally appeared before me Benjamin Hancock an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County of Wayne aforesaid Patrick Coyle of the county Wayne State of Kentucky and after being duly sworn for that purpose on his oath makes the following explanation and amendment to his original declaration, he states that entered the service in Washington County Virginia as state in his original declaration to serve three months tour he volunteer'd and entered the service and after having serv'd out said period, it was understood that it was necessary to range through the frontiers to rescue private families from pending danger. he accordingly from the solitations of his said Capt agreed to continue in service three months more he then continued on to serve three months more there being no time intervening between the first and second tour he having serv'd out his second tour of three months he was march'd to the new garden back again having no written or verbal discharge for the first tour, and verbally dismissed for the second, he then went to washington county but had only been in his settlement a few days till there came word

that there was danger of the indians on the Greenbrier and he again went out as a volunter under his said Capt and Lieutenant west of the Greenbrier, to serve three months was in several skirmishes with the Indians between Greenbrier and Sandy, camped and ranged through the mountains various points and directions and servd out said tour, had no discharge, but was solicited by his said Capt to continue to guard the frontiers another three months. he again ranged the territory of bounds between the Sandy and Greenbrier the whole of the fall and finally march back within about twenty miles of his home and then had a written discharge from his said Capt shewing that he had servd twelve months applicants states that he did not know that it was necessary when he arranged his original declaration to designate the term of each period of engagement he on reflection thinks he enterd the service about the last days of October and finally ended the whole of his service about the first of Dcember in the ensuing year

[signed] Patrick Coyle

NOTE: A document in the file states that Coyle died on 21 Feb 1845.