Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Childress S3147 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris VA GA

State of Tennessee } SS Lincoln County }

on this sixteenth day of October 1832 personally appeared before the Court of pleas and quarter sessions of the County of Lincoln Thomas Childress a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged Eighty two 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 That he Enlisted in the army of the Untied States in the year 1777 with Captain Jesse Walton [Jesse Hughes Walton] of the Continental line and served in the Second Regiment of the Virginia line [sic: 2nd Georgia Battalion of Foot, recruited in Virginia] under the following officers Captain Littleberry Moseley [sic: Littleberry Mosby] Major Edward Wood Colonel Samuel Elbert all of the Second Regiment of General John Habershams brigade and marched through North Carolina and South Carolina to Savannah in the State of Georgia where we arived in the fall of the year and in the following spring was ordered on an Expedition against Saint Augustine under the Command of General Robert Howe the Expedition failed at Saint Marys river and we returned back to Savannah and remained at that place untill it was taken in the year 1779 [sic: 29 Dec 1778] by the British troops under the Command of Colonel Campbell when I was taken a prisoner by the British after remaining six months a prisoner with the British I found means to Escapt to General [Lachlan] McIntosh of the american army who was at Augusta in Georgia from whom I obtained a discharge or permit to return home to my residence in the state of Virginia after a service of three years

This applicant hereby relinquishes every claim 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

This applicant states that his enlistment was for the term of three years. This applicant further states that he was born in Chesterfield County state of Virginia And has no record of his age but his parents always told him that he was born in the year 1750 that at the time of his Enlistment he resided in Charlotte County Virginia and since the close of the revolution war he has lived in the state of South Carolina Edgefield District for Thirty years and then lived in Alabama Maddison [sic: Madison] County and now lives in Lincoln County Tennessee

This applicant states that William Edens [William Eddins] and William Childress are known to him in his neighbourhood and can testify as to his veracity Sworn to and subscribed the and year above stated