Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Price S31917
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State of Indiana Monroe County:

On this 16th day of October in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before me the undersigned Stephen P Seall one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of said County being a court of record I being an associate Judge of said Court said Circuit Court being composed of a President and to Associate Judges, Thomas Price a resident of said County and state 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 act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He was born on the 22nd day of April in the year of our Lord 1750 in the then County of Frederick in the State of Virginia. His father's name was John. He resided in said County and state with the exception of six years until this applicant entered into the service. In the year 1777 in the month of September he volunteered in said United States service in the Virginia Militia in the Company of Infantry commanded by Michael Rader in the Regiment commanded by Colonel __ Gibson in the Brigade commanded by General Hand for a period and term of three months. A new County having been formed [indecipherable word or words] and out of the said County of Augusta and the County of Frederick this Applicant though still residing in his old neighborhood was now living in the said new County called Shenandoah. He was rendezvoused and entered the service in said last named County in said month of September. He was marched thence to Fort Pitt, now Pittsburgh, it's the forks of Allegheny and Monongahela rivers against the Indians thence he was marched down to Fort Wheeling where he was stationed upwards of a month. He was marched homeward and dismissed on the way at Cape Capon River [Cacapon River]. He served said tour of three months faithfully and to the acceptance of his said Officers. He received no written discharge.

In the year 1782 he thinks in the month of January the company to which he belonged being called upon to furnish a certain number of men he with the number required he still living in said Shenandoah County he volunteered and entered the service of the United States in the Virginia Militia for a term of three months in the Company of Infantry commanded by Captain John Seahorn [could be Seaborn]. He thinks he was not attached to any Regiment. He entered the service in the County of Shenandoah in said state. He was marched and served as a guard in charge of the prisoners taken by General Morgan at the Battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781]. From Shenandoah County he guarded said prisoners to Winchester Virginia to the Barracks there, where they and this applicant as guard were stationed about 3 months – when he was marched guarding said prisoners to the Maryland line, where the Maryland militia took charge of the prisoners and he was then dismissed. Sometime in April 1782 name of the County

not recollected without any written discharge.

In said last mentioned year 1782 the applicant again volunteered in the service of the United States in the militia of Virginia in the same manner as in said last and 2nd tour in the month of September about the 22nd day, in the Company of Infantry commanded by Captain Martin Naul [Martin Nalle] He living was at said County of Shenandoah when he volunteered and entered the service, thence was marched to Little York River & York Town in Virginia near the seacoast. On the other side of the River where were stationed the British Light horse. He here joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel Elias Edmonds or Edmondson [Elias Edmund] under the command of General George Washington at Head Ouarters. He was ordered and was employed at ditching & entrenching and making breastworks &c. He commenced entrenching and making breastworks at the distance of about a mile from Cornwallis and progressed successively until he reached in about a quarter [of a mile?] where they were about to plant some of Washington's great cannon when Lord Cornwallis surrendered [October 19, 1781] About Wednesday was the surrender – he was employed filling up the trenches for the British to march out to stack arms which they did on Friday. On Saturday he marched in charge of said prisoners up through Virginia to the Potomac River where he was dismissed – the prisoners being put under guard of the Maryland militia. He served in said last tour three months. He states his age from a recollection of the Record he knows not what became of it. He never received any written discharge. He served in all said times and tours nine months faithfully and to the acceptance of his officers. He received perhaps about 25 cents a day during said last tour which altogether for the whole tour was not worth 50 cents in specie. He has never received any other pay for any of said services. Said pay being in Continental paper money. He lived in said County of Shenandoah five years after the War. He then removed to Pulaski County Kentucky resided there thirty-two years, then removed to Monroe County Indiana where he has resided for two years and now resides. He has no documentary evidence of any part of his services nor does he know of any person whose testimony he can or could procure except the certificates here with. He relinquishes hereby 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. He is unable to attend Court by reason of age and witnesses. He also states that there is no clergyman convenient whose certificate he can procure.

S/ Thomas Price, X his mark

[John Hansford, James Everman and James Smock gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia service.]