On this second day of December AD 1833 personally appeared before the County Commissioners Court for Sangamon County Peter Cutright of the County of Sangamon in the State of Illinois aged seventy four 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 7, AD 1832.

I was born in the year 1759 in Hampshire County Virginia. In 1785 I removed to Fayette afterwards Bourbon County Kentucky. From Fayette I removed in 1788 to Montgomery Co. where I resided until 1805 when I removed to Madison Co. Ohio. In 1822 I removed to Sangamon County, Illinois – and in 1831 to Putnam Co. Ill. In 1832 I returned to Sangamon County Illinois & four weeks since I removed to Macon County where I now reside –

1st Tour

In the year 1780 on the first of September I enlisted at Hampshire County Virginia as a volunteer private in a company of militia commanded by Capt Daniel Ritison [probably Daniel Richardson] and served six months. From Hampshire Co. Virg. we were marched to Hillsborough in North Carolina, where we were joined by Genl. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene]. Our Regimental officers were Colonel Robert Stevens, and Major George Stubblefield. At Hillsborough a rifle company was formed of those armed with rifles & put under the command of Capt Robert Cravins [sic: Robert Cravens] – we marched under Capt Cravins to the Cheraw Hills [in SC, late Dec]. On our return I was placed again under the command of Capt. Ritison. Here we were detached to guard a body of prisoners to Albemarle Barracks where we were discharged the first of March 1781 by Major Geo. Stubblefield. I received a discharge which has been lost.

The applicant Peter Cutright has resided for the last four weeks in Macon County – Illinois. He is old and in indigent circumstances and lives with his relations, sometimes in Macon and sometime in Sangamon County. He has come a distance of 25 miles to make his declaration – being under the impression that it could properly be done in this (Sangamon) County.

1st. Where & in what year were you born?
Ans. In Hampshire Co. Virg. in 1759.

2d. Have you any record of your age?
Ans. I have not.

3d. Where were you living when called into service & where have you lived since the revolutionary war & where do you now live?
Ans. When called into service I lived in Hampshire County Virginia. In 1785 I removed to Fayette County Kentucky & in 1805 to Madison Co. Ohio. In 1822 I removed to Sangamon Co. Illinois & in 1831 to Putnam Co. Ill. In 1832 I returned to Sangamon Co. & about four weeks since I removed to Macon Co. Ill. where I now reside.

4th. How were you called into service?
Ans. I volunteered.

5th. State the names of Regular Officers – Continental and Militia Regiments &c.
Ans. I recollect the names of no Regular officers except those mentioned in the declaration – nor do I remember any continental or militia Regiments.

6th. Did you ever receive a discharge, if so, from whom & what has become of it.
Ans. I received a discharge from Major Stubblefield, which is lost.

7th. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood & who can testify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution.
Ans. The Rev’d. Aaron Vandeveer & Mr Daniel Cutright.
I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any state. I know of no person by whom my services could be proved.  

[signed] Peter Cutright