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Pension application of Mason Lunsford S32387 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Indiana Harrison County: SS

On this 14th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of Harrison Circuit now sitting Mason Lunsford a resident citizen of Harrison County Indiana aged 68 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 of the Act of Congress passed June seventh 1832 – That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1780 or 81 (he is not positive which as he has lost his discharge the only data by which he could be positive) with Captain John Bailey and served in the Illinois Regiment of the Virginia State line under the following named officers: – General George R Clark [George Rogers Clark], Colonel John Montgomery and Captain John Bailey and Lieutenant Trent with and under whom he fought at the battle of the Iron Banks on the Miss= [sic, Mississippi] and that he served under Captain Bailey and Lieutenant Trent the full time of three years the period of his enlistment when he was honorably discharged by Captain Bailey and Major Wales [perhaps Major George Walls] who then commanded at the falls of the Ohio – that he mailed his discharge with a former application to the war Office, both of which he is informed have miscarried or were lost, and in consequence of which he makes this new application or declaration, he also states that he resided at the falls of Ohio State of Virginia when he entered the service – that he was also at the taking of the Kickapoo towns when General Wilkinson commanded – that they marched through the State of Kentucky then Virginia by way of Georgetown to the mouth of Licking Creek – and from Cincinnati to the before named towns through the state of Ohio –

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of Any Agency in any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Mason Lunsford

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for two years in the Virginia service.]

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