Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Parker S32435 Transcribed by Will Graves f27VA 8/31/12

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State of Illinois Coles County Sct.: Personally appeared before the Judge in open Court (on the 6th day of May in the year 1833) in & for the County aforesaid the same now sitting and constituting the Circuit Court of said County, John Parker a resident of the United States of America in the County of Coles and State of Illinois aforesaid, whose age is seventy-four years and 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 June the 7th 1832.

That the said Parker entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. Said Parker volunteered under Captain Fields, Colonel Slaughter commanded the Regiment in General Greene's Brigade. He entered the service of the United States in the year 1777, month of October – the day of the month not being recollected and was discharged from said service in twelve months afterwards. That again he entered the service as a drafted man under Captain Colier [Collier?] of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Alexander – the month & day not being recollected, when he entered said service, but recollects distinctly that it was in the latter part of the year 1779 – that he marched through Winchester Virginia, thence through Beeson [?] town Pennsylvania & was stationed on a Creek called "Ten Mile" in said state. That he continued in said service during the periods above mentioned respectively for the term of twelve months, making two entire years.

The Declarant was in no engagement with the enemy and has no documentary evidence of said service having been rendered by time – for reason that the same has been lost for many years and that there is no person living within his knowledge by whom he can prove the existence of said Documentary evidence. His discharge was given to him by Captain Colier.

That this declarant was born September 6th in the year 1758, Baltimore County, State of Maryland & that the only record of his age now in existence is taken from his father's family Bible now in his possession. The Declarant lived in Culpeper County Virginia when he engaged in the Service of the United States. He has lived since that time 17 years in Georgia, that he removed from thence into Hickman County Tennessee, thence to the Territory (now State) of Illinois in the year 1815 where he has ever since resided. That he recollects the names of no Continental or Militia officers, those above named excepted. He now lives in the County of Coles in the State of Illinois aforesaid. That the following gentlemen a clergyman & others have long known him and will make the certificate required with whom consequently he is well acquainted, Miles Hart, W. M. Woodall. That there is no other person to his knowledge by whom he can prove his said services than Griffin Tipsoward¹.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present

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¹ Griffin Tipsoward (Tipsonard, Sowards) R10617

and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll or Agency of any State. Sworn and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Parker

John Parker

I Griffin Tipsoward do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with John Parker the above named applicant and that I am personally known to his services as a revolutionary soldier, as he in his declaration has therein alleged & declared, I being in the Army with him. Sworn to & subscribed this day & year aforesaid.

S/ Griffin Tipsoward, X his mark

[Miles Hart, a clergyman, and W. M. Woodall gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]