Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joshua Reed S32476
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State of Indiana Orange County: Sct.

On this 18th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court Joshua Reed before the Honorable the Orange Circuit Court for the said State of Indiana now sitting Joshua Reed a resident of said County of Orange in the State of Indiana aforesaid aged seventy-five years on the 29th day of October next according to the Record taken by himself out of his father's Bible, 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 7th 1832.

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

He was drafted into the service of the Virginia line as he thinks sometime in the month of November 1775 to guard the Frontiers of the State of Virginia. He was drafted by Captain Jonathan Paddocks. In something like a week after being drafted he marched in company with three others taken out of the same company with himself to the Station at the mouth of Fish Creek on the Virginia side of the [word written through and illegible although from the spacing and letters I think it was intended to be "Ohio"] River, where the company under the command of Captain Samuel Mason remained to the best of the deponent's recollection something like two months in active service after which time the whole company was marched by their Captain Mason up to the mouth of Grove [could be Grave] Creek where they were all discharged.

That in the year 1776 sometime in the month of October, in that part of the State of Virginia which was afterwards known as Fayette County, there was a draft made upon the company that deponent belonged to under the command of Captain Thomas Gaddis, Moses Carr was drafted and deponent took his place as a substitute, the draft was for two months. In the course of eight or ten days after the drafting, the Company under the command of the same Captain Gaddis marched to Fort Atkinson on the borders of the Monongahela deponent being with them and in service. When we arrived at Fort Atkinson and had remained there eight or ten days the Company was broken up, and the officers and men of the company marched to Fort Prickett where they remained on station for the residue of the time for which they were drafted, to wit, the two months, at the expiration of which time the men were all discharged and proceeded home, after the Campaign was broken up at Fort Atkinson deponent was attached to Captain Springer's [Zadoc Springer's?] Company. In the month of September 1777 deponent under Captain Ashcraft as well as recollected, was drafted from the same neighborhood for a tour of four months on a campaign under General McIntosh. In the course of a week or 10 days after being drafted, deponent with his Company marched under Captain James Dougherty to a point on the Ohio River about 7 miles below Fort Pitt called McClure's bottom, where they crossed the River and was attached to the main Army under General McIntosh. The Army then marched

down to the mouth of Big Beaver Creek where we erected a Fort which was called Fort McIntosh. From this place about half the Army about 2000 men went out towards the lake about 67 miles where we erected another Fort which we called Fort Tuscaroras, deponent being engaged in building each Fort – then we were marched back to Fort McIntosh where we were discharged, having been four months in service in this latter tour.

In the year 1782 deponent volunteered under Colonel Gaddis and entered the service under Captain Thomas Carr from the same neighborhood where deponent lived in 1776. As soon as prepared after entering this service, say 8 or 10 days, we were marched to a Point on the Ohio River between Fort McIntosh and Wheeling, called Mingoe Bottom [Mingo Bottom], where we rendezvoused and marched three days afterwards to the Indian town on Sandusky under General Crawford (William). In the neighborhood of the Indian towns on the Sandusky plains we met the Indians and they gave us battle, we fought the battle on the afternoon of the 4th day of June lay upon the field of battle all that night, and the next day until after night when we commenced a retreat to the Mingoe bottom, where we diced [? divided?] provisions and each man made the best of his way home – after deponent reached home he was discharged by Captain Carr. As well as deponent recollects he was about 35 days out upon this tour – In this engagement deponent received two wounds, one in the side, the other in the arm neither of them injuring or fracturing any of deponent's bones. Deponent was born in Morris County in the State of New Jersey on the 29th day of October 1757 – Lived in the State of Virginia at the commencement of the Revolutionary war in the County of Monongahela [Monongalia?] where he continued to reside until as near as he can remember 1793 at which time he removed into Shelby County in the State of Kentucky, where he resided until about 18 years ago when he removed to Orange County in the State of Indiana where he has resided ever since – Deponent does not remember that he ever received a written discharge from the tour he served under Captain Mason nor does he remember whether he ever received a written discharge from Captain Springer if he did he knows not now what has become of it – nor does he remember whether he ever received a discharge in writing from Captain Dougherty – He received a discharge in writing from Captain Carr which he sold to one who said he could use it in the land office for his purposes. He is known here and neighboring to Alexander Wallace, William Reed & William Case can well testify to his [indecipherable word] character and their belief in his service in the revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/Joshua Reed, X his mark

[f p. 24: there appears on this page a largely illegible affidavit given in support of the application by Abram White², a resident of Vermilion County Indiana in which white appears to support the applicant's claimed to have been in Crawford's campaign under Captain Thomas Carr and Colonel Williamson.

¹ FPA W6473

Abrum White

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The State of Indiana Orange County SS

Be it remembered that on the 16th day of November 1833 personally came into open Court before the Judges of the [indecipherable word] probate court Joshua Reed a resident of said County of Orange in the State of Indiana aforesaid aged 75 years on the 29th day of October last according to a record of ages kept by his father who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named him and served as herein stated. He was drafted into the service of the Virginia line he thinks in the month of November 1775 to guard the frontiers of the State of Virginia under Captain Paddocks. About a week after being drafted he marched in company with 3 others taken out of the same company to the Station of Fishing Creek on the Virginia [side] of the Ohio River where the company under the Command of Captain Samuel Mason remained to the best of deponent's recollection something like 2 months in active Service after which time the whole company was marched by Captain Mason up to the mouth of Grove Creek where they were discharged. That in the month of October 1776 in that part of the State of Virginia afterwards known as Fayette County there was a draft made upon the company that deponent belonged to under the command of Captain Thomas Gaddis - Moses Carr being among the number drafted deponent took his place as a substitute. The draft was made for 2 months. In 8 or 10 days after the drafting the company under the command of the same Captain Gaddis marched to Fort Atkinson on the Waters of the Monongahela [River] deponent being with them and in service when we arrived at Fort Atkinson and had remained there 8 or 10 days the Campaign was broken up and the officers and men marched to Fort Prickett where they remained on station for the residue of the term for which they had been drafted (to wit 2 months) at the elapse of which time the men were all discharged. At the breaking up of the Campaign at Fort Atkinson deponent was attached to Captain Springer's Company. In the month of September 1777 deponent under command of Captain Ashcroft as well as recollected was drafted from the same neighborhood for a term of 4 months in a campaign under General McIntosh. About a week or 10 days after being drafted deponent with his company marched under Captain James Daugherty to a point on the Ohio River about 7 miles below Fort Pitt called McClure's bottom where they crossed the River and was attached to the main Army under command of General McIntosh. The Army from there marched down to the mouth of Big Beaver Creek where we erected a Fort which was called Fort McIntosh. From this place half of the Army about 2000 men went out towards the Lake about 67 miles where we erected another Fort which was called Fort Tuscaroras deponent being engaged in building each Fort. From the last named place we were marched back to Fort McIntosh where we were discharged, having been 4 months in service in this latter tour. In the year 1782 deponent volunteered under Colonel Gaddis and entered the service under Captain Thomas Carr from the same neighborhood where deponent lived in 1776. As soon as prepared after entering the Service we were marched to a point on the Ohio River between Fort McIntosh and Wheeling called Mingo Bottom where we rendezvoused and marched 3 days afterwards to the Indian town on the Sandusky under General Crawford (William). In the neighborhood of the Indian Town on the Sandusky plains we met the Indians and they gave us battle; the battle was fought on the Afternoon of the 4th day of June. We lay upon the battleground all that night and the following day until after night when we commenced a retreat to the Mingo Bottom where we [indecipherable word] provisions, and each man made the best of his way home. After deponent reached home he was discharged by Captain Carr. As well as deponent recollects he was about

35 days out upon the Tour. In this engagement deponent received 2 wounds one in the side the other in the arm neither of which injured or fractured any of the deponent's bones. Deponent was born in Morris County in the State of New Jersey on the 29th day of October 1757 – lived in the State of Virginia at the Commencement of the Revolutionary War in the County of Monongahela where he continued to reside as well as he now recollects until about 1793 at which period he moved into Shelby County in the State of Kentucky where he resided until about 18 years ago when he came to Orange County any State of Indiana aforesaid where he now and ever since has resided. Deponent does not remember to have received a written discharge either from Captain Mason, Captain Springer or from Captain Daugherty and if he did, he has no knowledge what has become of them. From Captain Carr he did receive a discharge in writing which he sold to an individual who said he could use it in the Land Office. Deponent is known by and is neighbor to Alexander Wallace, William Reed and William Case who will testify as to fairness [?] of character and their belief of his services as stated. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not upon the pension roll of any agency in any State.

S/ Joshua Reed, X his mark

Be it remembered that on the 11th day of November aforesaid personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of said Court Joshua Reed aforesaid who being duly sworn Deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades – In the 1st term he served as a private 2 months under Captain Samuel Mason – in the 2nd he served as a substitute 2 months – 3rd tour he served as a private 4 months – 4th tour he served 35 days as a private as stated in his declaration and for such service I claim a pension.

S/ Joshua Reed, X his mark

[Kensey Veatch, a clergyman, and William Case 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 militia.]