Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Crouch S34717
Transcribed by Will Graves

Hannah Barnett¹

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State of Maryland Cecil County to wit

Robert Crouch a Citizen of the United States of America at this time residing in Cecil County in the State of Maryland Doth depose declare and say, That he enlisted in April 1778 in Captain Lindsay's [William Lindsay's] Troop of Horse, attached to Lee's Legion, and continued in the said Legion until the Termination of the War, when he was discharged at Charleston in South Carolina, and that this Deponent by reason of his reduced Circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country for support.

State of Maryland Cecil County to wit

Then appeared in open court the above named Robert Crouch, and made oath, upon the holy evangelist of Almighty God, that the several facts and circumstances stated above are just and true.

Sworn to in Open Court

S/ James Sewall

Maryland Cecil County: SS

On this 5th day of April 1821 personally appeared in open court being a court of record and proceeding according to the course of common law with unlimited Jurisdiction for the said County Robert Crouch age sixty-two years resident in Cecil County in said State who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary War, as follows, He enlisted with Captain John Rudulph [John Rudolph] in the beginning of April in the year 1778 who commanded a company of Troop belonging to Lee's Legion and continued in the service until the close of the War, and was discharged at Charlestown South Carolina and that he has made his Original Declaration upon which he obtained a Pension certificate dated 18th day of June 1819 No. 12,057 and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Sworn to in Open Court

S/ James Sewall, C.C.

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¹ Former widow

Two cows, Two calves, two Horses, four Hogs, & four pigs, five sheep, one old court, one old plow & old Harrow, one hoe, one mattock, one ax & some old and very indifferent Household & kitchen furniture, This declarant has been engaged in farming but now is unable to do anything of the kind he has living with him a Wife & five children, Rebecca age 16 years, Martha Crouch 13 years of age, Thomas Crouch 10 years of age, Enoch Crouch 7 years of age & Hannah Crouch age 6 months.

S/ Robert Crouch

Value of property ascertain by court – \$130

[p 11: On September 24, 1855 in Cecil County Maryland, Hannah Barnett, 77, filed a claim as the widow of Robert Crouch, a deceased revolutionary war pensioner who served in Lees Legion; that she married him in Cecil County Maryland November 19, 1800; that they were married by the Reverend Zebulon Kinkey, a Methodist clergyman; that her name prior to her marriage was Hannah Cleeves; that her husband died in Cecil County October 12, 1823; that she afterwards married John Barnett who departed this life November 10, 1846 she signed her affidavit with her mark.

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Robert Crouch, late of Lees Legion, Maryland service, is entitled to lot No. 1038 – westward of Fort Cumberland, Allegheny County, 50 acres

No. 1038

S/ Jno. Callahan, ? Office

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 9th, 1818, for service as a private for 5 years in Lees Legion.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia] 4-page file indexed under Robert

Crouch Trumpeter

State of New Jersey Middlesex County

On the 24th day of April in the year of our Lord 1819, before me Thomas Hance one of the Judges of the inferior Court of Common Pleas, in and for the County of Middlesex and State aforesaid came James Heard² to me known and of the County and State aforesaid, who being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that Robert Crouch of the County of Cecil and State of Maryland enlisted as a trumpeter in the Legion commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Henry Lee in 1778 and continued to serve as such until the conclusion of the revolutionary war.

S/ James Heard

State of Maryland Cecil County to wit

Be it remembered that on this 9th day of April in the year of our Lord 1819 personally

² FPA S540

appeared before the Subscriber one of the State of Maryland's Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Robert Crouch a citizen of the United States at present residing in Cecil County in the State of Maryland who being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God doth depose declare and say: That he this Deponent enlisted in April 1778 in the 2nd Troop of Cavalry [several lines of text damaged and illegible] part of a Legion of horse known as Lees Legion that, this Deponent was a Trumpeter to the said Troop of Horse and continued in the said Legion till the termination of the Revolutionary War in 1783 when he was discharged. That this Deponent is well acquainted with John Bennett formerly of Cecil County in the State of Maryland at present residing in New Castle County in the State of Delaware having known the said John Bennett from his youth: that he knows that the said John Bennett enlisted as a private in the first Troop of Horse commanded by Captain [indecipherable]³ in April 177? And which said troop composed a part of the Legion of Horse known as Lees Legion and commanded by [image of the document ends at this point at the bottom of the page]

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Termination of the Revolutionary War in 1783 when they were dismissed at the Eutaw Springs in South Carolina, and afterwards received his Discharge at Elkton in the State of Maryland. Taken and certified the day and year aforesaid.

Sworn before James Purnell

