Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John White S3535
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State of Tennessee White County: SS

On this 20th day of August A.D. 1832 personally appeared before the Judge of the Circuit Court held for White County aforesaid John White of said County and State aforesaid aged seventy-six 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 may by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 or 1776 (cannot recollect distinctly in which year) and served in the 2nd Virginia Regiment of State Troops under the following named officers – He resided in the County of Amelia, State of Virginia, when he entered in the service, – went as a minute man to Portsmouth Virginia, and while there he enlisted under Ensign or Lieutenant Archer, – and from thence was marched to Williamsburg Virginia and Captain Sanford [probably Captain William Sanford] took command of the Company. We were marched to Fredericksburg Virginia where we drew our guns, – and at the said place, the company was attached to the 2nd Virginia Regiment of State Troops commanded by Colonel Spottswood [Alexander Spotswood]. From thence we were marched to Philadelphia, and wintered at that place, & in the spring after, General Washington took command, - Said John White was in the battle of Brandywine in which battle Archer, the officer under whom he enlisted was killed: - the next battle in which he was in, was the battle of Germantown, after which battle, Captain Sanford resign, and Captain Parker [Alexander Parker] took command of the Company. The next battle in which said White was in, was at the storming of Stony Point – General Wayne commanded in chief – White was in Colonel Flureys [?] division in the said engagement. Marched with the prisoners to Philadelphia. Joined the Army again & was discharged by Captain Parker, – he lost his discharge many years ago. Said John White was a musician, a fifer, in said Company, and Shelton was the fife Major of the said Regiment. Said White does not recollect the time he left the service, – but he enlisted for three years & faithfully served out the whole time of three years, & was regularly discharged as aforesaid. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present & 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/ Anthony Dibrell, Clerk

John White

State of Tennessee Davidson County: SS

Personally appeared before me Robert Farquharson an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County Robert Thomas¹ a citizen of said County, who is a man of respectability & entitled to unqualified credit on his oath & makes oath that he is well acquainted with John White who is now citizen of White County in said State, that said John White served in the Regular Army of the United States during the Revolutionary War in the same Regiment with said Thomas, viz., the 2nd Regiment of the Virginia line under Alexander Parker as Captain, that said John White was a musician in said company & Regiment the whole time that he served in said Regiment as said Thomas believes no as to the length of time he does not pretend to be certain.

S/ Robert Thomas

Sworn to & subscribed for me this 11th day of October 1833

S/ Robert Farquharson, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia service. His pension was subsequently increased to \$88 per annum.]

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