Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Landrum (Landrem) S35512 Transcribed by Will Graves

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District of Kentucky Sct.

On this 1st of May 1818 before me, the undersigned, one of the Circuit Judges for the Commonwealth aforesaid personally appeared Thomas Landrum aged 60 years resident in Scott County in the said District who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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. That he the said Thomas Landrum enlisted in 1777 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Meriwether the Regiment commanded by Colonel Gibson [probably John Gibson] and that he continued in the service of the United States until 1780 when he was discharged from service in the State of New Jersey at Morristown or near it. That he was at the siege of York at the close of the war for he again entered the Army in the place of John Colbert who was drafted for 18 months and that he is now in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Benjamin Johnson, Circuit Judge

Declaration of Thomas Landrum of Scott County and State of Kentucky before Garret Wall Esquire a justice of the Peace for said County & one of the Judges of the County Court of Scott County at the poor House for said County where said Landrum lives as one of its paupers the said Landrum not being able to attend the County Court on account of old age & infirmity

On the 6th day of September 1832 Thomas Landrum aged eighty came before me Garret Wall a justice of the Peace for Scott County Kentucky & made the following declaration to obtain the Benefit of the Act of Congress of 7th June 1832. On his oath the said Landrum being too infirm to attend court he states that he is now a Citizen of Scott & has been for about 45 years, that during the revolution he lived in the County of Caroline in the State of Virginia that in March 1777 he enlisted into the service of his Country for the term of three years by Captain Thomas Meriwether & was sent out into service under Captain Thomas Ewell after serving some time a under Captain Ewell he was put under Captain Thomas Holt, Colonel Gibson's [probably John Gibson's] Regiment Muhlenberg's [Peter Muhlenberg's] brigade was marched to the North & served out his three years & obtained an Honorable discharge at Morristown in the State of Pennsylvania [sic, New Jersey?] or some adjoining State for he does not know in which state Morristown is situated, he has lost his discharge – He entered the service again in 1781. He then lived in Culpeper County Virginia he was at the Siege of York at the taking of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781], & in this last engagement he served 18 months under General Steuben &

was honorably discharged. He is now about eighty years of age. He has no register of his birth. He is on no pension list of any State or United States & relinquishes all pensions except this one. signed.

S/ Thomas Landrum, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 1, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line. Because there is no evidence in this file that the veteran filed the required schedule of his property in order to continue his pension under the 1818 and 1820 acts, it is likely that he was stricken from the record after 1820 only to be re-instated at a rate of \$80 per annum under the 1832 act.]