Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Guill S35998 Transcribed by Will Graves

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District of Kentucky

On this 19th of October 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the District aforesaid personally appeared John Guill aged 60 years resident in Scott County and District aforesaid 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 John Guill enlisted in the month of March 1777 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain John Holcombe in the 4th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert Lawson in General Charles Scott's Brigade for the term of three years and was discharged in the month of February 1780 at Alexandria State of Virginia – that he served the above mentioned time as a Regular Soldier in the United States service, that he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], German Town [Germantown, October 4, 1777] & Monmouth [June 28, 1778], that he is 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 save what he here office of his said services. Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

This Day Lee Bird aged 53 years personally appeared before me the undersigned and made oath that he has known the said John Guill since his youth and said Guill left his residence to go into the Army as a regular soldier for 3 years and believes he served the said time. Witness my hand this 19th of October 1818

S/ Benjamin Johnson Circuit Judge

District of Kentucky SS Owen Circuit Sct.

On this 14th of November 1822 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the said District and Circuit of Owen County John Guill aged 64 years Resident in said County in said District who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, that he enlisted in Prince Edward County Virginia for three years in Captain Holcomb's Company in the fourth Regiment of Virginia on Continental line, that [he] Served out the three years and was honorably discharged at Alexandria, that his Original Certificate now in his possession is No. 5062, that his original declaration was on the 19th of October 1818, Which more fully states his Services,

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

Three horses worth	\$70
Eight head of Cattle	30
Thirty hogs and shoats	30
Sheep ten in number	12.50
	\$142.50

S/ John Guill

that he is by pursuit a Farmer and from old age and a hurt he is quite a Cripple and infirm, has a wife and 6 children that lives with him and depends on him for a support and maintenance, and now Biggs to be continued on the pension list as a soldier of the revolution, that he now resides in Owen County Kentucky

S/ John Guill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 19, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line for 3 years.]

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Addendum to John Guill S35998

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 14 April 2020.

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia indexed as Guille, John.]

This is to certify that I enlisted John Guille the 11th day of March 1777 to serve the term of three years in the 4th Virginia Reg't.

A copy

J Holcombe [John Holcomb X361] Capt.

4th V. R.

These are to certify that John [undeciphered] formerly a Soldier in the 4th Virginia Regiment hath duly and faithfully served the term of years for which he was enlisted, in consequence of which and at his own request he is hereby discharged from any further service in the Army of the United States and permitted to return to his home free and unmolested he having rec'd all his bounty pay & Clothing and depreciation of pay [several illegible words] of allowance & provision made by Congress for their service his Rec't for which is on the back hereof

Given under my hand at/ Philadelphia this 20 day of Jan'y 1780

Christian Febiger [VAS675] Colo.

Comd't 2 VR

June 20 1783 The above are true copies of acct & discharge lodged in the Auditor's Office J Shackelford COA[?]