Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel McVay [McVey] S36108 Transcribed by Will Graves

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District of Kentucky

On this 28th of August 1818 before me the undersigned one of the Circuit Judges for the said District personally appeared Daniel McVay aged 71 years resident in Fayette 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 Daniel McVay enlisted about the beginning of the Revolutionary war in the State of Virginia for 3 years in the company commanded by Captain Langlin [Jonathan Langdon] in the 12th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Jas. Wood [James Wood] in the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in said Corps until the end of said 3 years when he again reenlisted during the war and served until after the capture of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] and received his Discharged at Middlebrook in the State of New Jersey – That he was in the battles of German Town [Germantown, October 4, 1777], Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and the capture of Lord Cornwallis.

That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of assistance from his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his Services save what he here offers – Sworn to and declared before me this day and year aforesaid.

S/Benj. Johnson, Circuit Judge

State of Kentucky and County of Bourbon: Sct.

Be it remembered that at a court held for the County aforesaid on the 2nd day of July 1821 Daniel McVay made affidavit in Open Court and produced a schedule of his property which by the said court is valued to ten dollars, agreeably to an act of Congress of the 1st May 1820 concerning pensioners which is ordered to be recorded as follows, to wit, District of Kentucky, Bourbon County Sct.

On this 2nd day of July 1821 personally appeared in open court (being a court of record for said County, having power to fine and imprison for contempt) Daniel McVay aged 61 years Resident in Bourbon County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, he enlisted under Captain Jonathan Langland [in] the 12th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment under Colonel James Wood afterwards when cut off at Brandywine the 8th Regiment in the County of Shenandoah Virginia in the year __ about the Beginning of the war to serve for three years, after which time he again enlisted and served out the War in all about seven years, when he was discharged at Valley Forge by Colonel Nevil probably John [Neville] was in the Battles of Brandywine,

Monmouth and Germantown, also at the capture of Cornwallis, 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 one small mare that cost me \$10, nothing else except my clothes, I have nothing due me and oh about 3 pounds, I have no family and no occupation being entirely unable to work, being nearly helpless having received my support from the County before I got my pension but I was then struck off, I have now no means of support – And further that I am the same Daniel McVay whose name is inscribed on the Pension List Roll of the Kentucky agency at the rate of \$8 per month dated 23 December 1818.

S/ Daniel McVay, X his mark

State of Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

On this 16th day of September 1825 before me the subscriber, a justice of the peace for said County of Fayette, personally appeared Daniel McVey [sic] who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captain Jonathan Langlen or Langhorne or a person whose name was so pronounced, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel James Wood in the Service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Kentucky, that he received a certificate of that fact; under the signature & seal of the Secretary of War: which certificate, about the year sense he lost in some unaccountable manner in the town of Lexington Kentucky after he drew his half yearly pay – & has never since been able to find it after diligent search & inquiry.

S/ Daniel McVey, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 28, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]