Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Priddy S3741 VA
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The State of Ohio }
County of Fayette } SS

On this second day of October AD 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of Fayette Court of common pleas now sitting John Priddy a resident of Greene Township in the County of Fayette and State of Ohio aged seventy-four years last April who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

The affiant states he entered the service of the United States in Goochland County in the State of Virginia. He was called into the service under the command of Captain Massee [sic: Massie], he served a part of this tour at Williamsburg and a part at Little-York. He was at this time only 16 years of age served the two months for which he was called out under the same Captain he does not recollect the names of any field officers in service at this time, he was dismissed at Little York and returned home to his fathers who had during this tour removed to Fluvanna County in the s'd State of Virginia. While residing in this County he was twice called into the service by draft. The first time under the command of captain Tillman [sic: Tilman], he marched to the City of Richmond and there drew arms from thence he marched to the Cross Roads after remaining a short time at this place he marched to the Meadow Bridges from thence to Richmond, the time for which he was drafted (six months) was now expired and he was dismissed

The affiant further states that he was again drafted in Fluvanna County for a term of two months under the command of captain Haden. At this time he marched from the County aforesaid to Glocester [sic: Gloucester] where he remained untill the expiration of his time and was there dismissed — During this time was fought the memorable battle of Little York [Siege of Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. He the affiant served during the war six months and that he can not proove his services by any person now living within the knowledge of him this applicant — and do hereby declare that I John Priddy do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity and that my name is not on the pension rool of the agency of any state

- 1 Where and in what year were you born?
 The affiant answers that he was born at Grandville [probably Granville County] in the State of North Carolina on the 8th day of April AD 1758
- 2 Have you any record of your age if so where is it?

 The Respondent replies that when a boy in school he recorded his age in his ciphering book where it still remains
- Where were you living when called into the service where have you lived since the Revolution and where do you now live?
 The respondent says he lived in Fluvanna County in the State of Virginia when called into service the last tours; and in Goochland County in the aforesaid State the first tour. he remained in Fluvanna County untill AD 1806 when he removed to Ross County in the State of Ohio he remained in Ross County 5 years the removed to Fayette County in the said State of Ohio where he now lives
- 4 How were you called into the service, were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom?
 - The said Priddy answers he was drafted
- 5 State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service The respondent answers that General [Thomas] Nelson command the Militia at Richmond and

- General Mulenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] was also an officer during some part of his service, Colonel Campbel [sic: William Campbell] was an officer at Glocester, and for the general circumstances he refers to the body of the declaration
- 6 Did you ever receive a discharge from the service if so by whom was it given and what has become of it?
 - The affiant states he never did receive a written discharge At the end of the last tour Lieut Wm Adams [William Adams] dismissed them he received a discharge for the company
- 7 State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood who can testify as to your character for veracity and good behavior and your services as a soldier of the Revolution The affiant refers to James Crothers, Jacob Jameson, Wm Rowe, Jesse Rowe

