

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Arthur Brown S39222

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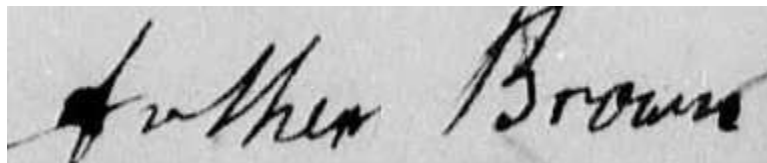
Commonwealth of Kentucky Caldwell Circuit and County

Be it remembered that there appeared before me Benjamin Shackelford Judge of this 7th Judicial District of this State Arthur Brown a citizen of said County and an indigent Soldier of the Revolution claiming the benefit of the law of March 18, 1818 for the relief of certain persons engaged in the Revolutionary War and relinquishing all claim to pension before granted by the United States made the following statement.

That sometime in April 1781 he enlisted into the Continental Army under Captain Thomas Armstrong in Pitt County North Carolina from which place he marched to Salisbury in said State where he joined the Continental Regiment then under command of Major Redding Blount Captain Anthony Sharp's company. That he joined the Army under General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] at the High Hills of Santee and at the battle of Eutaw Springs he had a bayonet run through his body having served 12 months in the Continental Army he was discharged which discharge he has lost.

That now being in reduced Circumstances he needs the Assistance of his Country for support.

S/ Arthur Brown

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which reads "Arthur Brown". The ink is dark and the paper appears slightly aged.

State of Kentucky Caldwell County Circuit

Be it remembered that on this 23rd day of March 1819 there appeared before me Benjamin Shackelford Judge of the 7th Judicial district of this State Arthur Brown an indigent Soldier of the revolution and an inhabitant of this County praying to be heard respecting his claim to the Benefit of the law of the 18th of March 1818 after renouncing all claim to all pensions heretofore granted Testifies and says that in April 1781 he enlisted with Captain Thomas Armstrong in Pitt County in North Carolina in the Continental Army for the term of 12 months that he was marched to Salisbury by the said Captain Armstrong where he was put under the command of Captain Anthony Sharp & from there marched to the High Hills of Santee & there joined the 2nd or 3rd Regiment of the North Carolina line of Continental Troops the

Regiment he thinks was commanded by Major Redding Blount he does not recollect the Colonel's name. That from the High Hills of Santee he marched under command of General Greene to Eutaw Springs and was in the battle at that place where he was wounded by a British Bayonet being run through his body within two inches of his heart – that he continued in the Hospital & in the Service until the May 1782 when [he] was discharged by General Greene which discharge he has since lost, that although much injured by & debilitated in consequence of said wound he has never applied for a pension before now, but being in reduced Circumstances & standing in need of the Assistance of his Country for Support he the said Arthur Brown makes this application.

And the said Arthur Brown further swears that he made application to me on the 2nd day of last June Court which was the 23rd day of June 1818 and that his application [several words obliterated by an ink blot] me to hear him & took his deposition and gave him at that time the necessary certificate to enable him to a pension under the law of the 18th of March 1818 which certificate has been lost.

S/ Arthur Brown, X his mark

State of Kentucky Caldwell Circuit Sct June Term 1820

Be it remembered that a Circuit Court continued and held for Caldwell Circuit aforesaid on Wednesday the 28th day of June 1820 before the Honorable B. Shackelford presiding and Sole judge of said Court. The following proceedings were had to wit

"On motion of Arthur Brown and he producing here in court his affidavit which being sworn to by him in open court is ordered to be recorded and certified according to law which affidavit read as follows to wit Personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record Arthur Brown aged 58 years and 6 months, who being first duly sworn according to law doth declare that he served in the Revolutionary war under the command of Major Blount agreeable to his original declaration made and recorded in the clerks office of this Court and that has received a pension certificate at the rate of \$8 per month which he is No. 11, 418 his application being made on the 23rd day of June 1818 .

And he solemnly swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that h has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed, that his property consist of one mare [?] worth \$35, 4 yearlings worth \$12, farming utensils, horse gear etc. worth \$10 that his family consist of 2 daughters and one son 13 years old with whom he lives and his pension being applied to his comfort and he being able to labor but little at his occupation, being that of a farmer.

S/ Arthur Brown

State of North Carolina, Secretary's Office 5th May 1819

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears from the musterroll of the North Carolina Continental line in the Revolutionary War, that Arthur Brown a private in Captain Sharp's Company of the 10th Regiment was mustered on the

15th of April 1781 for 12 months and that he, "left the service on the 15th of April 1782."

Given under my hand the date above.

S/ Wm Hill

[fn p. 5: on January 26, 1826 in Carroll County Tennessee, the veteran filed for a transfer of his pension benefit from the state of Kentucky to that of Tennessee his having acquired lands of a better quality "more like that of North Carolina from whence he removed to Kentucky"]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 23, 1818, for 12 months service in the North Carolina Continental line.]