Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joab Reid¹ S4057 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Ohio Brown County: SS Court of Common pleas July term 1832

On this 26th day of July 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County and State aforesaid now sitting Joab Reid a resident of Ohio in the County of Brown aged seventy years next December who being first 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 the 7th June 1832.

That he was born in fare fax [Fairfax] County State of Virginia on the 28th day of December 1762 as stated on record in his father's Bible which he has now in his Possession and that he resided in the same County when he entered the Service of that United States. That he turned out as a volunteer in Alexandria Virginia, he believes about the 1st of September 1780 – to the best of his recollection, to serve a tour of Duty for the months after they joined the main Army at Hillsboro in North Carolina, that he served in the Company commanded by Captain William Mason, and William Donel was first Lieutenant and James Nesbit was second Lieutenant, that they rendezvoused at a little town called Colchester they were marched through Dumfries and Fredericksburg to Richmond then to Petersburg, then to Roanoke River where they lay eight weeks and four days by the orders of General Stevens [Edward Stevens], as he understood, they were then marched on to Hillsboro in North Carolina where they joined the Army who was the commanding officer at Hillsboro he can't recollect. General Green [Nathanael Greene] commanded the southern Army at that time they were then marched from Hillsboro through Salisbury to a little town he believes called the pine tree [Camden, South Carolina] and while there he was taken with the rheumatism and put in the hospital and after being there some time was taken in a wagon back to Salisbury and the night he arrived there General Scott came there with his troops which was on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day which he cannot recollect and on the 24th day of January 1781, he was discharged by Colonel Phillips and reached home on the last day of March following he being so weak and decrepid [decrepit] with the rheumatism that he could not travel but very slow.

That in the year 1781 when General Lafayette was about to march through Virginia a Sergeant Elisha Worder and his men he being one was ordered out of the militia Company at home was ordered out to collect cattle through a part of Fairfax County to furnish provisions for the Army he was out on this duty forty-one days after they had collected the cattle they took them to a farm below Mount Vernon near where the French Army was to pass and delivered them over to the officer authorized to receive them, the name of whom he does not now recollect, he then went with Sergeant Worden to Alexandria and made their return to James Laurence, which

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he believes was quarter master General, he then returned home after being out forty-one days, that he moved from Virginia to Kentucky about ___ years past from there to Brown County where he now lives. That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no Person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a Pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Josh Reid Shirt

[William Middleton and Benjamin Beasley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[f p. 9: On April 10, 1855 in Adams County Ohio, Joab Reid, 92, filed for his bounty land entitlement describing himself as a private in the company commanded by Captain William Mason and that he volunteered from Fairfax County Virginia. He signed this document with his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$56.87 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one-year 5 months and 2 days in the Virginia militia.]