Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Daniel Boyd S41454

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Fauquier County, State and District of Virginia Sct:

On the 24th day of September 1821 personally appeared in open Court – being a Court of Record made so by the Constitution and Laws of Virginia with Jurisdiction in Law and Equity unlimited in amount, and possessed of the power of fine and imprisonment, Daniel Boyd, aged eighty four years who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the Provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 - that he the said Daniel Boyd enlisted for the term of eighteen months on the [blank] day of February 1779 in the county of Loudon [sic: Loudoun] and State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Wales in the Regement commanded by Colonel Buford or Bluford [Abraham Buford] in the line of the state of Virginia on the Continental Establishment. that he continued to serve in the said Regement till it was defeated in South Carolina by Colonel Tarlton in the month of May or June 1780 [sic: Banastre Tarleton at Waxhaws, 29 May 1780] when he joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel George West of the Continental Establishment in which he served at the Battle of York [Siege of Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and till the conclusion of the war when he was discharged at Nolands ferry [on Potomac River] in the State of Virginia. That he was in the Battle in which the aforesaid Colonel Bluford was defeated, and in the Battle of York which were the only Battles of consequence in which he was engaged, that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the affidavits of Wm. McClanahan [William McClanahan, pension application S5742], Charles Owens [W10847] and Alexander D Kelly.

In pursuance of the Act of the 1st of May 1820, 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person 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: to wit: one bed, one pewter dish and four pewter plates – half Dozen knives and forks – half dozen cups and saucers – one coffee pot – two pots one skillet and a Bread pan – two axes – two hoes two mattocks one spade one shovel one stone hammer & two hogs. I owe some small debts but nothing is owing to me. My family consists of a wife fifty one years old and two children the one aged seven the other nine years who render me no aid in making out a subsistence. That I, from wounds and the palsy am unable to support myself without the assistance of my country.

Daniel hisXmark Boyd

Charles hisXmark Owens

Wm. McClanahan and Charles Owens the 24th day of September 1821 personally appeared in Open Court and made oath that Daniel Boyd who made the foregoing Declaration was a soldier in the Revolutionary War that they served with him in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Buford or Bluford until his Defeat in South Carolina by Colonel Tarlton – all from February 1779 til 29th May 1780. And that from that time they had no knowledge of him till a short time past. Wm. McClanahan