Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Harvey S4362 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee, Roane County

On this 18th day of January 1834 personally appeared before Brasher Roberts one of the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for Roane County Tennessee William Harvey a resident citizen of the County and State aforesaid aged 84 years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832, that he volunteered into the service of the United States in the year 1776 in July, under Captain Eckle [Jacob Eckles] Lieutenant Butner Ensign Davis, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Cleveland [Benjamin Cleveland] & Major Smith all under the command of General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] in Rowan [County] North Carolina, marched from there to the Swanno [sic, Swannanoa] Mountains in pursuit of the hostile Indians after remaining some time in & about the Mountain this applicant was discharged after serving one & month & seven [sic] days he did not receive a written discharge from thence applicant went to Wilkes County N. C. where he remained until the year 1780 when he again volunteered in the service of his Country under Captain Allen [probably Richard Allen], Major Smith in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Cleveland marched to the neighborhood of Kings Mountain, where him & the greatest part of his Regiment remained some time it was during their stay there that the Battle of K's Mountain [October 7, 1780] was fought this applicant was not in the engagement although some of his comrades was & when applicant was again discharged after serving three months he received no written discharge, but was mustered out of the service applicant again returned home he did not remain at home many days before he again volunteered under Captain Allen Colonel Cleveland, marched to Moravian Town in pursuit of a straging [sic, straggling?] parties of the Enemy & on guard who were in the Country, after staying a short time in & around the Town & in the neighborhood this applicant was again mustered out of the service after having served 30 days applicant again returned home & volunteered again under Captain Allen & Colonel Cleveland marched through various parts of the Country in pursuit of the Tories & others who were skulking through in which service they caught some deserters & took them to Salisbury under guard, when applicant was again mustered out of service by Captain Herndon [probably Benjamin Herndon] to whose company he was transferred, after serving 21 days when he again returned home after having served altogether six months & 15 days he remained in Wilkes N. C. until the year 1807 from thence he removed to Roane County Tennessee where he has remained ever since.

He was born in Orange County Virginia in the year 1749 he has no record of his age but speaks from his own recollection of what his parents told him.

He has stated where he lived when called into service & in what way, he has also stated the names of his officers, he also states that he never received a written discharge.

States the following persons living in his neighborhood who can certify as to his veracity to wit William Crowder, Isham Young, John J. Munger, Henry Liggit [sic, Leggett?], Meriwether Smith, Peter Manning & Samuel Elkridge Esq. he also states that by reason of bodily infirmity & old age he is unable to travel to the place of holding court.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 18th day of January 1834.

S/ Bradsher Roberts, JP {Seal}

A Justice of the Peace for Roane County

S/ Wm Harvey

Wir Harvey

[William Crowder & Isham Young gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]