Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Alexander McQueen S5075 Transcribed by Will Graves

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The State of Ohio Muskingum County: SS

On this 26th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Ohio for the County of Muskingum aforesaid now sitting Alexander McQueen a resident of Newton Township in said County of Muskingum aged eightyone 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 –

That he belonged to a company of Minute man at Culpeper County Virginia commanded by Captain John Jamieson, Gabriel Long Lieutenant & David Jamieson Ensign in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Woodford that sometime in the month of September 1775 he was ordered out with said Company & marched to Bridge town North Carolina & was there stationed about one month when declarant was present at the attack made on Governor Dunmore after which he with his company &c pursued Dunmore to Norfolk & was present part of the time while Norfolk was burning, remained at & near Norfolk during the winter & was discharged in May 1776 but received no written discharge – Declarant returned to Culpeper County Virginia and in the month of September 1777 he held an Ensign's commission in the first Division of the Militia of that district at which time he was drafted as an Ensign, proceeded to Germantown Pennsylvania and was attached to the Company commanded by John Lillard Captain, Richard Haley Lieutenant Regiment commanded by James Pendleton Colonel – William Roberts Major – in General Crawford's Brigade. Declarant continued in said Company, three months during which time a part of the Brigade was engaged in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] & Germantown [October 4, 1777] & was released at the end of the term for which he was drafted

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In April 1779 Declarant was again drafted as an Ensign at Culpepper County Virginia & was attached to the Company of Captain Richard Nale, Lieutenant Zachariah Griffin in the Regiment of Colonel James Slaughter, Major James Graves, marched to Richmond Virginia and acted under the orders of General Muhlenburgh [Peter Muhlenberg] & Steuben, marched from Richmond to Petersburg Virginia made an unsuccessful attack on the enemy under General Philips [William Phillips], and five days after made a second attack the day on which General Phillips died¹ – thence marched to a place called Dandriches and was there relieved having performed a second term of three months service as an Ensign. In February or beginning of March 1780 – Declarant was a third time drafted as an Ensign & was attached to Captain Henry Tolds Company, Lieutenant Richard Diggens, in the Regiment of Colonel James Barbour & Brigade of General Edward Stephens [Edward Stevens] – marched to Williamsburg Virginia

¹ British Gen. William Phillips died of typhoid May 13, 1781.

thence to the vicinity of Richmond, thence to Dandriches & back to Richmond where Declarant was relieved in May or the beginning of June 1780 having completed the third term of three months. In July of 1780 Declarant was a fourth time drafted was attached to Captain James Browning's Company Lieutenant Robert Johnson, Regiment of Colonel Abraham Bluford [Abraham Buford] & Brigade of General Stevens, marched down the James River to the vicinity of James Town thence in different directions to watch the movements of the and at last to the Mills near Richmond where declarant was relieved in October 1780 having completed his fourth term of three months service. In March 1781 Declarant was again drafted as an Ensign & nominally attached to the Company of Captain Mark Finch, Lieutenant Kirkley in the Regiment of Colonel James Slaughter. Declarant was appointed commissary until they reached Head Quarters at Mobbin Hill [Malvern Hills] near James River & then by the orders of Colonel Slaughter acted as commissary until he was relieved at the expiration of the fifth term of three months – In July 1781 Declarant was again drafted as an Ensign again acted as commissary for Colonel Slaughter's Regiment at Head Quarters at Mobbin Hill until the first day of September when Declarant received a commission as Forage Master signed by General Edward Stephens, which commission he held until the 6th day of November 1781 when he was discharged having served at the last mentioned term about four months – Declarant's commission as Ensign & Forage Master have both been lost & he never at any time received a written discharge – Declarant has no documentary evidence & he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except the persons whose testimony he herewith encloses.

Declarant 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.

Declarant was born in Culpepper County Virginia on the 17th day of March 1751, he again said County until 1829 since which time he has lived in the counties of Muskingum & Perry in the State of Ohio.

S/Alexr McQueen

Culpeper County Virginia September 9th, 1833

My old fellow Soldier

On the 6th Instant I received your Letter of the 31st July and have taken the first opportunity to comply with your request and sending you my Affidavit respecting your service in the War of the Revolution so far as is within my knowledge, and hope it may be of service to you: by my living to so great age I have had it in my power to do considerable service to old Soldiers, which I am happy I head, and shall be gratified to hear that my Affidavit has been instrumental in serving one so worthy of reward as yourself – My handwriting is known so far, that when I am able (which I generally am) I write what I certify myself. Although I am so feeble that I am under the necessity of having aid to rise from my seat – and to be got on and off a horse: yet (I thank God) my health is generally good, my mind active and clear and often write as you now see, which surprises many of my acquaintance.

Farewell

your old friend S/ D. Jameson Hameson

I David Jameson² of the County of Culpeper and State of Virginia aged eighty one years, do hereby Certify that in September 1775 I was an Ensign and did march with a Battalion of men called the Culpeper Minute Battalion to Williamsburg where we were encamped and trained for about two months; and then five Companies of said Battalion (of which I ours was one) were detached under Colonel William Woodford to the Great Bridge where on the 9th of December we were attacked by a party of British Troops, whom we defeated: from thence we were marched to Norfolk, where we remained about two months; We were thence removed to Suffolk, and from thence late in March returned to Williamsburg and were there discharged in the latter part of March or early in April and returned home, about one hundred fifty miles; and that Alexander McQueen was a Soldier under Captain John Jameson in whose company I was the Ensign, and that the said Alexander McQueen with me Served the whole of that time together, amounting to about seven months from the time we were assembled until we returned home; And I Certify that the said Alexander McQueen behaved as an Active, Vigilant, and brave Soldier. Given under my hand this 9th day of September 1833.

S/D. Jameson

The State of Ohio Muskingum County: SS

Before me a Justice of the Peace for said County personally appeared Jeremiah Sims³ who being first duly sworn according to law doth depose & say that he was well acquainted with Alexander McQueen (now an applicant for a pension) that in the autumn of 1781 he, Deponent was a private Soldier in Captain Triplett's Company of Colonel Dark's Regiment at the siege of Cornwallis, that at that time he frequently saw the said McQueen acting as a Forage Master in the Brigade of General Stephens at Head Quarters at Little York Virginia – & that he has been acquainted with the said McQueen from that time until the present & that the said McQueen is a man of good character for truth & veracity

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S/ Jery Sims

[attested October 23, 1832.]

The State of Ohio Perry County SS

This day personally appeared before me a Judge of the Court of Perry County Benjamin Humphrey⁴ who first being duly sworn according to law doth depose and say That he was acquainted with Alexander McQueen in Culpeper County State of Virginia before the revolutionary war, and this deponent further saith that he was acquainted with said McQueen in the revolutionary war when they were both in the actual service in the war and that said McQueen did serve in the Militia in the same Regiment and Brigade commanded by Major

² David Jameson S5607

³ Jeremiah Sims W1500

⁴ FPA S4245

William Roberts Colonel Pendleton's Regiment and General Croffords [Crawford's] Brigade and that they were marched near Germantown Pennsylvania and that said McQueen served one full two months tour and was discharged. And this deponent further saith that he does not certainly know of any more of said McQueen's Services, but from circumstances which he recollects he believes that he served other tours in the revolutionary war and that said McQueen is now a resident of Ohio and lives with his children and of good moral character whose word may be relied on as truth.

S/ Benjamin Humphrey

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[Attested September 29, 1832]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$173.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private & Ensign in the Virginia service for a total of 22 months; 15 months as an Ensign and 7 months as a private.]