Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Harrow \$5480

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State of Virginia } Towit Harrison County }

On this 17th day of June 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Court of Harrison County now sitting Jacob Harrow a resident of Harrison County aged 78 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 was born in the county of Frederick State of Virginia in the year 1755 as he is informed having no record of his age that he resided in said county at the commencement of the Revolutionary War That in January 1778 he volunteered in a company commanded by Capt Coulter was employed in said company to guard pack Horses from the aforesaid county of Frederick to Redstone a Fort on the Monongahela River [near present Brownsville PA] was discharged by the Capt at the expiration of two months. That in March following he volunteered in a Company under the command of Lieut George Stribling Marched to Fort Pitt thence to Mentiers Bottom on the Ohio River was stationed there under the command of Zadok Wright [Zadock Wright] and discharged by him at the expiration of two months immediately after he entered the service as a substitute for James Dunbar in a company commanded by James Brinton marched to Cat fiesh [sic: Catfish] Camp in Washington Pa. was attached to a regt. commanded by Col. John Evans from thence marched to the Ohio River to Fort McIntosh [at present Beaver PA] thence to Fort Lawrence [sic: Fort Laurens on Tuscarawas River in OH, constructed Sep 1778] thence back to Fort McIntosh was discharged having served six months soon after he removed with his Father to Redstone on Monongahelia River. In march he volunteered in a company commanded by Capt. James Archer marched to Jacksons Fort now Waynesburg [Fort Jackson on Tenmile Creek in Greene County PA] continued to guard said Fort for the term of six months and was discharged by his Capt in May 1781 he again volunteered in a company commanded by Ezekiel Rau[?] marched to Wheeling served one month and discharged. He never received a written discharge and thinks it was not usual in the malitia he was acquainted with Col [John] Gibson, Campbell, Broadhead [sic: Daniel Brodhead] & others in all the above campaigns he served as a private from Redstone he removed to Monongalia County Virginia thence to Harrison where he now resides for his general character for truth and varacity he would refer to Messrs. Abraham Smith, Frederick Burdet, Samuel Kemble &c. he has no documentary nor knows of no one by whom he can prove the above servises He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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 Jacob hisXmark Harrow

[The following report is by District Attorney Washington G. Singleton who investigated many pensioners from Harrison, Lewis, and other counties of present West Virginia. For details see pension application S6111 of David W. Sleeth.]

Jacob Harrow. draws \$33 33/100

this Pensioner gave the following statement - he is in his 80th year of age. was raised in Frederick Cty Va. and left there in his 18th year of age and came west of the allegany [Allegheny] mountains in the "pack Horse Service" he was Enlisted or Hired cant say which by James Stephenson to load - drive - and take care of the Pack Horses, hauling Provisions for McIntoshes campaign [Gen. Lachlan McIntosh's campaign, Sep 1778] - his wages were paid by the month by Stephenson but cant recollect the amount - he was in this service two months. cant tell the year in which the service was done. - he substituted in the place of John Kid for one month and went to Mentieres Bottom - below Pittsburg - marched under Lieut. Ehellon[?]. about 40 men at that station under the command of Capt. Zadock Right. - after the first month expired he remained a nother month at the same station as a substitute in the place of a man whose name he has forgotten - from that station he went directly to Jacksons Fort on ten mile creek in Pensylvania -

a brother & the sister of his lived at that station. he went to see them – after getting there a draft was made to raise men for McIntoshes Campaign. – his brother Isaac was drafted and not wishing to be seperated from his brother he substituted in the place of James Dunbar, and marched to Monteeres Bottom & there joined the army. McIntoshes – his division of the army was commanded by Col. John Evans of Monongalia. James Brinten was his captain – the army descended the ohio to Big Beaver [Beaver Creek in PA] and then built a fort. Went then to Fort Laurence and aided in building that Fort. McIntosh & Col. Gibson were at the latter station – he was in this campaign six months – was afterwards 6 mos. at Jacksons Fort but cant tell in what year this or any of his other services was done. Col. [Joseph] Johnson wrote his declaration and charged him \$12.50. Intestimony that the forgoing statement contains the truth I hereto subscribe my name July 15, 1834

Witness N. Goff

Jacob his mark Harrow

[On the cover in Singleton's handwriting:]
Jacob Harrow Pen Harrison Cty Entitled
claims 6 mo under Colo Jno Evans & 6 mo at Fort Jackson
doubtful
See the papers of Colo Evans

Crd'd [Credited?] for 10 mo - the 6 mo Jacksons fort dis'd [discredited?]