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Pension application of John Blue S6655
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State of North Carolina Rowan County: August Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions A.D. 1832
On this 24th day of August A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court – being the
Court of pleas and quarter sessions for the County of Rowan now sitting John Blue a resident of
Rowan County North Carolina aged about 73 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 7 1832.

That he entered the service under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He states that he thinks he was born in the year 1757 in Rowan County that he has no record of his age, that when he was called into service he lived in Rowan County, That he has continued to live in the County ever since the revolution. He states that he served his Country during the Revolutionary war in the militia at least eight months under two different engagements, that in the first place he was drafted as well as he recollects in the year of 1779 for a five months term under Captain James Craig Peter Faint [?] being the Lieutenant. That his company was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Frank Lock [sic, Francis Locke] all under the command of General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford]. That while in the service, he did duty chiefly in South Carolina. That his company first marched towards Charleston, and they turned towards the Savannah River – and at the Battle of Briar Creek, his company and others were stationed as a corps of observation on the opposite side of the River. He recollects that General Ash [sic, John Ashe] was in command of the American forces at this battle. At the end of 5 months he was discharged in writing by his Captain – which discharge he has lost – That in the year 1781 he was drafted again for 3 months under the command if he recollects right of Captain Brandon – that whilst in this service he was marched as far as Fayetteville & at the end of 3 months was discharged and continued until the end of 3 months when he was discharged which he has lost. That he has no documentary evidence that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure & who can testify to his service except by affiant [indecipherable word] annexed affidavit – & by General repute & his own oath.

Sworn to in open Court 24th August 1832

S/ Jno. Giles, Clk

S/ John Blue, X his mark

Abraham Ihrick or Ahry¹ residing in the County of Rowan and State of North Carolina maketh oath that he is well acquainted with John Blue who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration. That during the revolutionary war he served with him the five months tour mentioned in the declaration in the company commanded by Captain James Craig, Peter Faust [?] Lieutenant in a Regiment commanded by Captain Lock [sic, Colonel Francis Locke] under the General command of General Rutherford: they marched together to South Carolina near Charleston and then turned towards the Savannah River and were stationed together in a Corps of observation at the Battle of Briar Creek in Georgia on the opposite side of the River – that he knows of his own knowledge that Blue served out his five months tour and was honorably discharged that he always understood and believes that the said Blue served another tour of three months.

S/ Abraham Ihrig

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[Jacob Weaver gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 8 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

¹ Sic, Abraham Ihrig (Irick, Ihrich, Ahry) S7062