## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Jonathan Long W383 Nancy Long MD PA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Tennessee \ SS. October Tm 1833

Hawkins county  $\,$ } on this first day of october in the year 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Circuit Court now sitting for the said county & state Jonathan Long aged seventy five years the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the present month, a resident of said county 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<sup>th</sup> 1832

That he Entered the service of the united States under the following named officers and served as herein stated viz That in the fall of the year 1779 while residing in Franklin county [formed in 1784 from Cumberland County] Pennsylvania he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer under Captain Orbisson [Orbison?] for three months, and was marched across the Alleghany [Allegheney] Mountains against the Indians in the month of September to a place called Woodcock's Valley [Woodcock Valley] & from thence to Red Stone fort on the Ohio River [sic: Redstone Fort, now Brownsville, on Monongahela River] where his company was stationed sometime. He states further that in Woodcocks Vally they had a skirmish with the Indians – and in which Skrimish this declarant was, that in said fight they took about thirty Indians prisoners who were taken on by his company to Red Stone fort – and sometime in the month of December 1779 he was with his company marched home from Red Stone fort but did not receive any written discharge – having served three months. That again in the month of august of 1780 he cannot state precisely the time he again volunteered against the Indians under a captain Smith and was marched from Franklin County Penn'a across the Alleganey Mountain to a place called the Standing Stone [at present Huntingdon], and from thence was marched by Col Johnson about fifty miles beyond the Standing Stone to a fort, that the Indians had surrounded, in which were about forty or fifty Americans – when Col. Johnson reached the fort the Indians had retreated, Col. Johnson after resting about three days at said Fort, the name of which this declarant has now forgotten, in order to provide himself with provisions, pursued on after the Indians and on the morning of the third day they came up with the Indians, whom they attacked, in number about six or 700 – and after a hard fight which lasted two or three hours in which battle about one hundred and fifty Indians were killed [see endnote], this declarant was in the battle during the whole time it lasted; from the battle ground, after remaining about 7 or 8 days they pursued the Indians some distance but did not overtake them - and this affiant was marched back home, which he reached sometime in November 1780 having served other three months – declarant states that both times he came under the command of Col. Johnson of Franklin county of the Militia. He does not recollect of receiving any discharge the last tour. Declarant further states that shortly after he performed his last tour against the Indians, he removed from Franklin county Penn'a to Frederick county Maryland – and sometime in the month of June in the year 1781 this declarant with about 24 or 25 others, was drafted to march to Annapolis against the British, and this declarant with the other drafted men was marched by a Sergeant Fisher to Annapolis in Maryland where they came under the command of a Captain Clickett [possibly Horatio Clagett] of the continental troops after remaining at Annapolis about three months, this declarant with some of those who were drafted, and on duty with him, enlisted sometime in September 1781 under said Captain Clickett for three years or during the war and this declarant shortly afterwards was marched to York Town against Lord Cornwallis, and in a Sortie or attack made by the brittish on the Americans on the 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> of october this declarant was wounded in the ancle by a Ball Entering his ancle – he was then carried to the hospital where he lay about five months before he was able to walk, and was not discharged until some time in the month of march 1783. This declarant by reason of the loss of memory cannot positively state the number of the Regiment in which he enlisted, but he believes it was in the second or third Maryland Regiment neither does he now recollect the name of the Col, but he served out his enlistment honorably and received a written discharge from Capt Clickett

He states that he was born in York County State of Pennsylvania. He has no record of his age. He was living in Franklin County Penn'a & Frederick County Maryland when called into service & has lived in Maryland, Virginia & in Tennessee since the revolutionary war & now resides in Hawkins county Tennessee. at York Having been wounded in the seige he did not become acquainted with many of the regular officers but he recollects of Col. Hazen[?] of the Maryland line the Marquis La Fayitte [sic: Lafayette]; Col. [Alexander] Hamilton & others. His discharge has long since been lost so that he cannot now produce it. There is no clergyman residing in his neighborhood and he has no documentary evience, and that he knows of no person, excepting the person whose certificates are herewith give with whom he is acquainted who can testify to his services

He hereby relinquishes every claim 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 Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court

And on this second day of october 1833 personally appeared in open Court David Mason aged about 76 years who being first duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith that he is well acquainted with the said Jonathan Long who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration, that he was also acquainted with said Long during the revolutionary war, and affiant states that said Long was a private soldier in the Maryland line, and served with him on duty occasionally, affiant himself belonging to the 1st Maryland Regiment on the continental establishment. He cannot state positively what Regiment said Long belonged to, but thinks it was either the 2d or 3d Regiment otherwise called additional Regiments and believes with others that said Long served as he states in his said declaration, though he does not know at what time said Long entered the service but believes he remained in the service of the United States, until the close of the war. He also states that he is a resident of the county of Hawkins. Sworn to & subscribed this 2d of october 1833.

## Land Office, Annapolis, November 18<sup>th</sup> 18[page torn]

I hereby Certify, that it appears by an Alphabatical list, remaining in this office, of "Discharged Soldiers of the two Battalions of Militia raised to serve 9 months, or until the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 1781," that the name of Jonathan Long; appears upon said list to have been discharged on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 1781, and to have received £6.0.4. George G Brewer/ Reg'r. L'd. Off. W. S. Md. Jonathan Long states in his declaration, that he also served three years in the Regular service; – I do not however find his name upon any of the muster or pay rolls of the regular troops;

G G Brewer/Reg'r. L'd. Off. W. S. Md.

## NOTES:

I could find no account of a battle against Indians of such magnitude in Pennsylvania in the latter part of 1780.

Samuel Spears (probably pension application S1779) certified that he had seen Jonathan Long in the service.

Jonathan Long received a pension of \$50 per year for 15 months service rather than the \$80 per year to which he would have been entitled if all the service he claimed had been credited.

On 12 July 1845 Nancy Long, 83, applied for a pension stating that she married Jonathan Long in September or October 1783 in Frederick County VA, and he died on 4 Feb 1841. It was stated that she could not make her application in court because she was "afflicted with Paralysis," though her mind

remained unimpaired.

On 4 Aug 1845 John Long stated that he was the oldest of the following six children of Jonathan and Nancy Long: John Long born 5 July 1784, David Long born in June 1786, James W. Long born in September 1788, Sally Long born in December 1790, Nancy Long born in August 1797, and Mary Long born in March 1800. He also stated that he, himself, was married in January 1807 at the age of 22 years and six months, and that his first child was born on 20 Nov 1809. He also stated that his mother was "almost helpless in consequence of her extreme age and Paralysys, with which she is afflicted, and which as he believes impairs her mind occasionally."

On 11 Dec 1848 it was stated that Nancy Long was 86 on the previous April 3<sup>rd</sup>.