Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Dougherty (Daugherty) W4182 Lydia Dougherty f65PA Transcribed by Will Graves 1/25/14

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State of Indiana Delaware County: SS

On this 12th day of February 1834 personally appeared in open court before Samuel McCulloch and John Tomlinson Judges of the Probate Court of Delaware County now sitting William Dougherty resident of said County now in the eightieth year of his age 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. In August 1777 he volunteered under Colonel Gattis or Gadis and met at his house near Beeson Town and went to Swearingen's Fort about one mile from the Monongahela River and about one mile below the mouth of Cheat River where we stayed three weeks obeying the commands of Gattis as our Captain or leader of the band while there we took a number of Tories and handcuffed them and confined them in the Fort. When one White and Isaac Boset were hanged by our party, This declarant cut them down before they were dead and saved their lives, as soon as this declarant was discharged verbally by Colonel Gattis he went from Swearingen's Fort to bones or beach bottom Fort on the Ohio River just below the mouth of Buffalo Creek and served one month under Captain Samuel Swindler Lieutenant Michael Cat the service that we performed here was to guard the new settlements from the attacks of the Indians we frequently scoured the neighboring country but had no battle. Again about the first of September 1778 he volunteered under Colonel John Evans, Adjutant Samuel Swindler, Captain James Daugherty the Lieutenant Michael Cat, Ensign Thomas Chineth orderly Sergeant Andrew McCrery - we rendezvoused at the place then called Cat Fish now Washington we joined a General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh a little below Fort Pitt from thence we went by water to the mouth of the big Beaver where we built Fort McIntosh as soon as we built this Fort we went to the Tuscarawas branch of the Muskingum River and built Fort Lawrence [Fort Laurens] from thence we returned to Fort McIntosh where he was discharged about the first of March in the year 1779 for which time and place he received a written discharge for a six months tour of duty given by Colonel John Evans which paper he has since lost when his dwelling house was burnt in Kentucky at the same time he received pay in Continental paper at the rate of \$8 per month for said six months service. He does not now recollect the names of any of the regular officers but General McIntosh Brigade Major Lawrence McIntosh Colonels Gibson [probably John Gibson] & Broadhead [Daniel Brodhead] from this place he returned to Westmoreland County Pennsylvania his place of residence in kept himself in readiness to go against the Indians at a moment's warning and was frequently called on to go on short excursions against the Indians of only a few days each time.

In April 1779 he was called out 15 days and as soon as he returned home was again called out to Stradlers Fort 15 days more several persons were killed by a party of Indians 3 or 4 miles from the Fort in attempting to move a family into the Fort among whom was Stradler the person after whom the Fort was called in the Fort was then evacuated and it was burnt by the Indians again in the same year 1779 he went to Janet's Fort under the command of Captain Swindler the other officers he does not now recollect the Fort was situated about 15 miles above Brownsville on Big Whitely the service here was the protection of the frontier settlements from the Indians he served one month at this time and place he received a verbal discharge. The whole time of his service while in actual service amounts to nine months and three weeks viz. three weeks under Colonel Gadis at Swearingen's Fort one month under Captain Swindler at Beach Bottom or Cox's Fort 15 days scouting & 15 days at Stradler's Fort together making one month, six months under General McIntosh and one month under Captain Swindler at Janet's Fort making in hold the nine months & three weeks for which term he claims a pension. And that he knows of no one by whom he could prove his service except Andrew Ice of Henry County but said Ice is now sick & unable to attend this court. He hereby relinquishes all and 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.

S/ William Daugherty, Senior, X his mark

[Henry Mossburg, a clergyman, and William S Thornburgh gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The following questions and answers were taken by the court

Question 1st Where & in what year were you born

Answer 1st Chester County Pennsylvania in the year 1754

2Q. Have you any record of your age; and if so where is it

2A. the record of my age was current in my house in Kentucky

3Q. Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the revolutionary war, & where do you now live?

3A. On the Monongahela River in Fayette County then called Westmoreland County Pennsylvania, I lived 12 years in Bourbon County in Kentucky from thence to the state of Ohio Clinton County & resided there 12 or 13 years from thence to White Water in Indiana and then to Delaware County Indiana the place of my residence at present & for about 5 years past.

4Q. How were you called into service:

4A. I volunteered.

5Q. state the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served; such Continental & militia regiments as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service.

5A. All the Officers that I now recollect who were in the regular service was General McIntosh, Colonels Gibson & Broadhead of the Militia, Colonel Evans was the commander of the Virginia Regiment called the Monongahela year Battalion (of Virginia troops) we marched from Fort McIntosh to Fort Lawrence on the Tuscarawas and had one spy killed by the way when we left Fort Lawrence we marched back to Fort McIntosh about the time of our leading Fort Lawrence 18 men were killed by the Indians at Fort McIntosh Wm Zegard [William Zegard] had his arms blown off while loading a cannon

6Q. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service; and, if so, by whom was it given, and what has become of it?

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6A. I have never received a discharge for any of the service but the 6 months Tour of duty under general McIntosh I then got a written discharge from Colonel Evans which I kept until my dwelling house was burnt in Bourbon County Kentucky when it was burnt with the goods in my house

[p 8: On July 5, 1846 in Clinton County of Ohio, Lydia Daugherty, 84 and upwards made application for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of William Daugherty, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him September 19, 1777; that they were married by a preacher named Isaac Sutton in Pennsylvania; her husband died the last of August 1841 in the Delaware County Indiana; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 12: On July 14, 1851 in Clinton County Ohio, James Daugherty gave testimony that he is one of the children of William Daugherty and Lydia Daugherty deceased; that his father was a revolutionary war pensioner; that his father died in Delaware County Indiana about the first day of September 1841 leaving his mother Lydia a widow; that his mother remained a widow until her death in Clinton County Ohio May 9, 1851; that his mother was a pensioner during her lifetime; that the declarant and Hannah Reed of Clinton County Ohio, Bridget Bell of Highland County Ohio, William Daugherty & Elizabeth Reed of Delaware County Indiana & Lydia Somers of Henry County Indiana are the surviving children of his parents. He filed this document in order to obtain the arrearages of pension due his mother at the time of her death.

James Daugherty

[p 14: On July 14, 1851 in Clinton County Ohio, Alfred Reed gave testimony that he was acquainted with William and Lydia Daugherty during their lifetime; that they brought up a respectable family of children including Bridget Bell of Highland County Ohio who is now either 75 or 76 years of age. The relationship, if any, of the affiant to the family is not stated.

Alfred Reed

[p 16: In 1851, Samuel Reed gave testimony in Clinton County Ohio that he was born August 26, 1775; that when he was 10 or 12 years of age he became acquainted with William and Lydia Daugherty and their family; that Bridget (called Biddy) was then apparently about the same age as affiant; that Biddy was the oldest child of William and Lydia Daugherty. The relationship, if any, of this affiant to the family is not stated.

Samuel Read

[Facts in file: Veteran married via Cox in Pennsylvania September 19, 1775 or 1777, both dates

appear in documents in the file;

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$25.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months and 21 days in the Pennsylvania militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]