Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jeremiah Brann W5933 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

The State of Ohio Butler County }
Court of Common pleas } S
of the term of October AD 1832 }

On this eleventh day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared before the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common pleas in and for the County of Butler and State of Ohio, Jeremiah Brann, aged about seventy years a resident of the county of Butler aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June seventh Eighteen hundred and thirty two –

That in the year seventeen hundred and seventy eight as he believes he enlisted to serve in Captain Scotts company of militia at Westmoreland County in Virginia deponent served under Captain Scott and other Captains whose names he has forgotten more than six months, engaged with scouting parties &c in guarding the frontiers – In the year seventeen hundred and eighty, deponent enlisted under Lieutenant Fleet Cox at Westmoreland County aforesaid by whom he was marched to Chesterfield Barracks where he entered the company of Virginia State Troops under the command of Captain Stripling [sic: Sigismund Stribling] (who was Lieutenant when he enlisted) in Colonel Dick Campbell's [Richard Campbell's Regiment where he remained on duty about six months, until February seventeen hundred and eighty-one when he was marched with the company and under the officers aforesaid to Hillsboro [sic: Hillsborough] North Carolina and from thence to Guilford Courthouse where he fought in the engagement on the fifteenth day of March following - deponent was likewise engaged in the battle fought at Camden, in April AD 1781 [Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] and in the Siege at "Ninety-Six" [Ninety Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun] and in the engagement at Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781] where he was wounded slightly - deponent served in the company and Regiment aforesaid eighteen months – was in the militia service under Captain Scott and others more than six months and served during the war as aforesaid more than two years -

Deponent has no record of his age nor any means by which he can precisely ascertain it but believes he is about seventy years old as aforesaid – deponent was born in Westmoreland County Virginia – has been a resident in the State of Ohio for the last forty two years and in the County of Butler for the last fifteen years where he now resides – deponent received a written discharge signed by Captain Stripling in South Carolina, which discharge he gave to his brother residing in the State of Virginia about forty-seven years ago, which said deponent has not since seen and knows not where it now is – deponent can prove his services in part by John Reily [pension application W7137]; he is well known to Marsh Williams residents in the County of Butler aforesaid by whom he can as he believes prove his character for truth and veracity and his general reputation as a soldier of the Revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except at the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Jeremiah hisXmark Brown

NOTES:

A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Jeremiah Brand/ age 18/ age 5′ 2″/ farmer/ born and residing in Westmoreland County/ dark-brown hair/ black eyes/ swarthy complexion/ enlisted 15 Sep 1780 for 18 months.

John Reily stated that when he became acquainted with Jeremiah Brann early in 1790, Brann had a wife and one child.

A letter dated 23 Apr 1855 refers to a pension application by the daughter of Nicholas Brann, a brother of Jeremiah Brann and of another brother who did not return from the war. There is also in the file a letter dated 20 Jan 1855 reading in part: "Will you please state whether there is some arrears of pension due the widow of Nicholas Brann Said widow Rebeca Brann of Butler Co. Ohio died about 1846 Said soldier Nicholas Brann died 1797 they were maried before 1794 Maried in Westmorland Co. Va.... Jeremiah widow was also pensioned she died 3 or 4 years ago Jeremiah, Nicholas, & Mathew Brann Brothers all in same service."

On 13 Apr 1840 Sarah Brann, about 77, applied for a pension stating that she was married to Jeremiah Brann in Hampshire County VA on 20 Mar 1789 by Rev. Benjamin Stone, and her husband died on or about 27 July 1834.