Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Angling (Anglen) ¹ W696 Elizabeth Angling f26NC Transcribed by Will Graves 7/18/07 rev'd 7/28/14

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[p 4] State of Tennessee Dickson County

On this the 9th day of July 1834 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of pleas and quarter sessions for the said County of Dickson holden for the first Monday in July in the year aforesaid in the town of Charlotte John Angling a resident of the State of Tennessee in said County of Dickson aged Seventy-eight 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, viz. That he entered into the service under the command of Colonel Thomas Parmer or Farmer [Thomas farmer], having from great age and bodily affliction in some degree lost my memory, Captain Dudley Gatewood other officers not recollected. That he was drafted and entered into the service in the State of North Carolina as one of the North Carolina Militia in the latter part of October in the year 1781² he then residing in Caswell County North Carolina and continued in the service until about three weeks after the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781], that upon entering into the service, which he done in the County of Caswell, he was marched to Cowan's Ford on the Catawba River and was present when General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] was killed [February one, 1781], from thence being attached to General Green's [sic Nathanael Greene's] Army proceeded it as forager under the command of Captain Blackwell, and was in advance of the Army when the battle of Guilford commenced a short distance having served in all the first tour of five months. Some short time after his return from his first tour, he volunteered himself and entered the service of the United States in the County of Caswell where he still resided under the command of General Butler [John Butler] and Colonel Moore [William Moore], Captain Olham [John Oldham] and Lieutenant Hensley is not sure but thinks he rendezvoused at Caswell Court House, however that might be, he was marched to the town of Favetteville then known as Cross Creek and from thence to the town of Wilmington all in the State of North Carolina, does not recollect the place or places where he was discharged, has forgotten, says that he received written discharges at the expiration of each tour, the last tour was for the space of two months having served seven months in all, says that his discharges he has lost and does not know where they are, that he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. 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.

[Certificate of veracity and belief in service given by John Davidson, clergyman, and John Spears]

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² From the events described, this veteran probably entered the war in October of 1780, not 1781, as the events he described participating in took place in the late winter and early spring of 1781.

Interrogatory the Court

1st: When and in what year were you born?

Answer: in Louisa County in the State of Virginia in the year 1757

2nd Have you any record of you age and if so, where is it?

Answer: I have none I have had a Bible given me by my father, but the record of my age is obliterated 3rd Where were you living when called into service? Where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer: In the County of Caswell State of North Carolina I lived when called into service, after the revolutionary war I lived in Laurens District State of South Carolina about 25 years & now live in the County of Dickson and State, having removed from South Carolina to Wilson County first then to Davidson County and last two or Dickson aforesaid

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer, or were you a substitute and if so for whom did you substitute?

Answer: I was first drafted and served five months and then volunteered and served two months [5th State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.] As to the fifth Interrogatory reference is made for answer to it to the body of my declaration above. 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service; and if so by whom was it given; and what has become of it?

Answer: I received two discharges but do not recollect from home, they are lost as before stated in my declaration.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood, and who can testify to your character for veracity and good behavior and your services as a Soldier of the Revolution.

To which I answer and say that said John Davidson, Clergyman and John Spears I would mention whose certificates are hereto taken.

Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court the 9th of July 1834.

Elizabeth Anglin

Test: S/ Field Farrar, Clerk

S/ John Angling, x his mark

[p 10: On April 2, 1853 in Dickson County Tennessee, Elizabeth Angling, 72, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of John Angling, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$23.33 per annum; that she married him to the best of her recollection in the year 1811; that her husband died in December 1836; that she knows of no public record of her marriage and has no family record containing the same; and that she remains his widow.

[p 15: On June 19, 1855 in Dickson County Tennessee, the widow, 73, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of a revolutionary war soldier; that she married John Angling in Wilson County Tennessee on the 15th of August 1810; they were married by Ezekiel Cloid, JP; that her name prior to her marriage was Elizabeth Carver; and that her husband died December 10th, 1836. She signed this document with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]