

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James White R11417

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State of Indiana Clay County Sct: Clay County Circuit Court November Term 1837

On this 21st day of November 1837 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Elisha M Huntington Resident Judge of the 7th Judicial Circuit of the State aforesaid, and Nicholas G. Cromwell Associate Judge of the County aforesaid, at the term aforesaid now sitting, James White a resident of said County and State aged seventy-four 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 to wit, that he entered the service at the County of Culpeper in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain John Slaughter Robert Covington was Ensign of said company, John Roberts was the Major of the Battalion to which said company was attached, and that applicant cannot say with certainty who was the Colonel who commanded said Company but thinks it was Colonel __ Thorn from the fact that he was sometimes with them. That they rendezvoused at Culpeper Court House and were marched from thence to Albemarle Barracks for the purpose of guarding a body of prisoners, who were called Hessians and kept and guarded at that place for the term of two years and nine months, that Applicant cannot now say whether said Company was of volunteers or regular soldiers, he thinks they were generally in uniform. That it was as well as he can now remember in the year 1778 that he so entered the service as aforesaid, that he recollects that it was through the persuasion of an uncle of his that his father permitted him to enter the service, and whether his father ever received any Compensation for his services he does not know – and that he was with said Company during all the time aforesaid and served as above stated.

That he was born in Culpeper County Virginia in the year 1763 it was in September of that year he believes it was the 8th day. That he has no record of his age, but states that from his recollection of an entry in his Father's family Bible, but he has not seen it for about 30 years and does not know where it now is. That he lived in Culpeper County Virginia when called into service, where he continued to live till he was about twenty-three years of age and removed to Madison County in the State of Kentucky and that from thence he removed to Montgomery County in said last mentioned State and there resided about twenty-seven years in the two last named counties, that from thence he removed to Orange County in the State of Indiana, and from thence to his present residence where he has resided about 14 years.

That he has no recollection of having received any discharge for his services in writing, and that his officers were as herein heretofore stated and that Edward Stephens [Edward Stevens] he believes was the General.

That from loss of memory and lapse of time he cannot be more positive about his services

than above stated and for that time he claims a pension. He hereby relinquishes every claim except the present to a pension and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State in the Union. That he has no documentary evidence of his service and knows of no one whose testimony he can procure to prove the same.

Sworn to and subscribed this 21st day of November 1835 [sic]

S/ Jesse McIntire, Clerk

S/ James White, X his mark

[William Maxwell and Elijah Rawley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 15: Veteran executed another application dated November 19, 1844 almost word for word identical to his first application.]

[fn p. 6: Power of attorney dated July 18, 1853, executed by James White, Junior, Nancy Coopriders, Polly Coopriders and Betsy VanMeter, residence of Clay County Indiana, and heirs of James White Senior.

James white Junr
Nancy^{her} Coopriders
mark

Betsy^{her} Vanmeter
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Polly^{her} Coopriders
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[fn p. 19: Power of attorney dated June 26, 1855 in Clay County Indiana executed by Peter Coopriders, Peggy White widow of Benjamin white deceased, James white, Smith White, Polly Coopriders formerly Polly White, Betsy Vanmeter, formerly Betsey White, & Nancy Coopriders, formerly Nancy White

Peter Coopriders

[note: only Peter Coopriders signed the above power of attorney notwithstanding the recitation of its execution by all the folks named therein.]