

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Condry R2198

VA

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State of Tennessee } To wit

Claibourne [sic: Claiborne] County }

On this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1846 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of said Court now sitting William Condry a resident of said County aged 93 years 10 months 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 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated

1<sup>st</sup>) He volunteered (a private) for six months as an Indian Spy some time in December 1776 under Capt Joseph Martin from Henry County Virginia marched to the long Island in Holston River [Long Island of Holston at present Kingsport TN] stationed there part of his time. Then marched to the Wry Cove in what is now Lea County Virginia [sic: Rye Cove in Lee County, then in Scott County] then back to the Long Islands on the Holston was at the treaty there in 1777 and discharged by his Captain when the treaty was made which was in June 1777 [Treaty of Long Island, 20 Jun 1777] (He was in service a little over six months that time)

After this he Came to Sullivan County (now Tennessee) to see his Brother in the month of October 1780 He Volunteered again (a private) under Captain Joseph Martin who was then an Indian Agent and raised a company of Volunteers for three Months and went against the Cherokee Indians in Colonel Arther Campbells [sic: Arthur Campbell's] regiment of mounted men He was encamped at different places in the Cherokee Nation discharged by Captain Martin after serving 3 months about the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1782 he received his wages for both these tours and supposes that the pay Rolls if in existence will show the same

He further swears that many years ago he lost his discharges in a Pocket Book and therefore has no documentry evidence of said services nor does he now know of any person by whom he can prove the same He hereby relinquishes every claim what ever to a Pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any state, And that this is his first application for a Pension That he always though he would live without being an expense to his Country. But he is now so old he is unable work and many of his friends has persuaded him until he has concluded to make this application. Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in Open Court William hisXmark Condry

Interogatories propounded by the Court

1<sup>st</sup>) Where & in what year were you born?

I was born in Farquier [sic: Fauquier] County Va in Sept 1753

2<sup>nd</sup>) have you a record of your age if so where is it?

The family record of my father showed my age, but it got torn out of the Bible and is lost

3) Where were you living when called in service where have you since lived and where do you now live?

I lived in Henry County Va. when first called into service I have since lived in [blank] and now live in Claibourne County Tennessee

4) How were you called into service?

I voluntered both times

6<sup>th</sup>) Did you ever receive a discharge & if so what has become of it

I was discharged by my Captain but lost it many years ago in a pocket Book

7) State the names of persons in your present neighborhood who can testify of your Veracity and their

belief of your services

Hugh Graham Col. Wm Houston Z Hodges Gray Garrett Esqr Thos Sawyers Genl John Cocke (of Grainger County) Hugh Jones &c

NB the 5<sup>th</sup> question is omitted because He does not claim to serve with Continentals or Regulars but as an Indian Spy

State of Tennessee } SS

Grainger County }

Personally appeared before me Joseph Clark an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Thomas Epperson aged 86 years and makes oath that he is well acquainted with William Condry of Claibourne County Tennessee who is now an applicant for a pension under the Act of June 7 1832 That he has been acquainted with him for sixty six years that he has always from his first acquaintance heard him speak of his services in the Revolution that he (Epperson) was in the same campaign against the Cherokee Indians in the fall of 1780 but not in the same company with Condry but from a recent conversation with Condry he is satisfied that Condry was there from circumstances he stated so exactly to his own recollection and that Condry has always been believed and Reputed to have been a soldier of the Revolution ever since his first acquaintance with him By all who knew him and that it never has been disputed by any

Sworn to and subscribed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1846

Thomas hisXmark Epperson

NOTE: On 18 Aug 1852 William H. Condry, "one of the children & legal representitives of William Condry a Revolutionary Soldier & his wife who is now deceased" assigned power of attorney to obtain benefits for the service of his father.