

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Garrott R3926 Joannah Garrott VA
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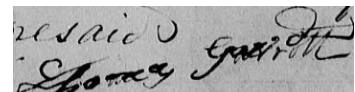
State of Tennessee }
Fentress County } SS

On this 2nd day of December 1839 personally appeared Thomas Garrott in open court he being a resident Citizen of said county aged seventy six years according to his best recollection and information having no record of the same, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

That he entered the Service of the United States army in the year 1781 by volunteering under Captain Charles Paterson [Charles Patterson] and attached to a Redgmt commanded by Colonel Lee [possibly Francis Lightfoot Lee] and served under the above named officers for the term of three months went from Mclinburg [sic: Mecklenburg] County State of Virginia he believes that it was in the month of March but cannot come any nearer the month nor day of the month but recollects that he marched from Mclinburg County virginia to the state of North Carolina and was at the noted Battle at Guilford Courthouse [15 Mar 1781] and was marched to diferent parts of North Carolina but in no other engagment til the three months for which he had volunteered had elapsed – and he was dismissed from service and returned to Mclinburg County State of Virginia where he remained for but a few months when he went to Buckingham County in the same state and same year in the summer season and was in Buckingham County State of Virginia among his friends and relations when one Capt Jones was raising a company to join the american army whe he applicant was persuaded by his said friends to volenteer and go along which he did and was attached to he beliefs the same Redgmt or Commanded by the same Colonel that that he before served under and marched to York and was there engaged for a considerable time til after the serenry of Lord Cornwallis [sic: surrender at Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781] when he was again discharged haveing then served he beliefs upwards of four months but whether it was for a three months tour or a six months tour he cannot recollect that he first engaged to serve in that campeign but is confident that in the first engagement from Mclinburg County that he served just three months and from Buckingham County he knows that he was engaged for full three months and he thinks some time over that but not six months But from old age and consiquent loss of memory he cannot state with more precision but can state soundly that in both engagements that he served for the length of six months and fifteen days and for such service he claims a pension

after his return from service to Buckingham he then returned to Mclinburg County where he remained for about five year and then removed to Buckingham County State of Virginia where he resided for the term of thirty four years thence removed to Overton County State of Tennessee where he resided for the term of Twelve year thence removed to Fentress where he now lives and has resided for seven years and after the passage of the act of 7th June 1832 he was advised by some of his friends to apply for a pension under that provision but not knowing of any person by whom he could prove his said service and did conclude not to apply but now becomeing quite old and in great need and knowing it to be just has concluded to forward his claim he knows of no person now living in this country by whom he can prove his service but can prove by Peter Reagan who is the nearest clergyman to his aplicants residence and by Sampson Evans a resident Citizen of said County and Neighbourhood that he is a man of undoubted verasity and reputed and believed to have been a Soldier of the Revolution and that he served as he states and that he is the age he states and that the same is indisputed by any person He hereby relinquishes evry claim to a pension or annuity except the presant and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State in the United States

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas Garrott". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted and fluid.

NOTES:

On 5 Dec 1840 Ann Flowers, 76, certified that her late husband, Roland Flowers (pension application W12) served with Garrott from Buckingham County “until about corn gethering in the fall season.”

On 20 Oct 1852 Joannah Garrott, 53, assigned power of attorney to obtain benefits for the service of her husband, Thomas Garrott, whom she married on 7 May 1827, and who died on 18 March 1844.