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Pension application of Boling Jolley R5686

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State of Illinois Morgan County SS

On this twenty fourth day of June in the year of our Lord 1842 personally appeared in open court before the Circuit Court of said County now sitting Boling Jolley a resident of said County of Morgan, aged seventy-six 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. he enlisted to serve in the regular Army in Dinwiddie County Virginia the date he cannot state, it was before the time of planting corn and about eight months before the surrender of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781]. Captain Connally was the Recruiting officer with whom he enlisted, after Enlisting, he was directed to and did join a company at Hatche's Run Church [?]¹ in said County, his Enlistment he believes was for eighteen months but in this he is not positive, from Hatches Run Church he was marched with the company to old Jamestown on James River, at this place several companies met and the whole of the troops here were under command of Colonel Lucas and Major Voys or Voorhies, – From Jamestown he marched with the other troops to Williamsburg, he remained some time at each of the foregoing places, but he cannot state the time, – At Williamsburg there was a number of Troops, but who had the Chief command he does not remember, – From Williamsburg he marched with the Army to York, and was engaged in the Siege of York and remained there until after the surrender of the British, he was subsequently discharged and returned home, the only Battle that he was in was at the siege, he cannot state the precise length of time that he was in service, he believes he enlisted as early as April in the year of the surrender at York, and he did not reach home until December following, – He has no documentary evidence to prove his service, he received a discharge from Colonel Lucas, but the same is lost or destroyed, – he knows of no person by whom he can prove his service, – He hereby relinquishes any 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 or territory.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Saml. D. Lockwood, Judge

S/ Boling Jolley

Boling Jolley

Hatche's Run church.

[Newton Cloud and Franklin Miner, both clergymen, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The said Boling Jolley being interrogated by the court as required by the Regulations of the War Department, states that he was born in Dinwiddie County Virginia and lived with his father in that County until after the Revolutionary War, – He has no record of his age, and does not know, that there is any in existence, he arrives at his age by computing the time of the siege of York, he was about fifteen years old when he entered the service, – he has stated his places of residence when he entered the service, since he left the service his residences have been as follows: first, his father removed from Virginia to Chatham County North Carolina, he married in that County, he removed from North Carolina to Kentucky Warren County where he resided several years, from that place he removed to Dickson [?]² County Tennessee, and remained there some ten or twelve years, he removed to Morgan County Illinois from Tennessee about fourteen years since and has continued to reside in said County. He recollects to have seen in the service General Washington, but had no personal acquaintance with him, he was acquainted with none of the officers except those under whom he served, Captain Connally, Colonel Lucas, Major Voys or Vorhies, – he received a discharge signed by Colonel Lucas, but it is lost or destroyed, – He is personally acquainted with the following named persons residing in his neighborhood who can testify to his character for veracity, Newton Cloud, Franklin Minor, Ramson Vanwier [??], Miles Bolin, James B. Stronges [??], and Robert Woods.