

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John McCoy R6663

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State of Indiana Hendricks County: SS: In the Probate Court of Hendricks County A.D. 1833

On this 13th day of May A.D. 1833, Personally appeared in open Court before the soul Judge of the said Probate Court now sitting John McCoy a resident of the County of Hendricks and State of Indiana aged sixty-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 A.D. 1832,

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein after stated. He states that his officers' names were Major Welch, Captain William Balis, he states that he entered the service of the United States in the spring of the year 1782, in the month of March, and he states that he substituted in the place of one Si Adams or Simon Adams and served two months as such substitute under the officers aforesaid, he states that he was marched immediately to the Barracks at Wychester [Winchester], And states that when he substituted as aforesaid he was living in Frederick County Virginia – he states that he was in no engagement while in this service aforesaid, And that he received as discharged from William Balis – his Captain and immediately enlisted into the service of the United States under Major Welch and Captain William Balis and was detained at the Barracks at Winchester for two months in the service aforesaid when he received his discharge from his officers aforesaid he states that he does not know – recollect the other officers names, he states that he returned home from the service aforesaid and his [sic, has] since lost his said discharges, as aforesaid. He states that in the year 1786 – he was drafted into the service of the United States to fight the hostile Indians in Tennessee, his officer's name was Edward Mitchell his Lieutenant that he was marched to Knoxville Tennessee and he states that he was detained in the service aforesaid for three months when he was discharged. He states that he received his discharge from Governor Bland¹ the then Governor of Tennessee, and he states that he was in no engagement while in the service aforesaid, he states that when he was called into service last aforesaid he lived in Hawkins County East Tennessee.

He states that he has lived since the Revolutionary war in the States of Tennessee, Kentucky and Indiana, to wit, 8 years in Tennessee, 25 years in Kentucky and 7 years in Indiana, Hendricks County, and is now a Citizen of Hendricks County Indiana.

And he states that he served in the service of the United States as aforesaid in all 7 months.

¹ There would have been no Governor of Tennessee in 1786 as the land which would become Tennessee in 1796 was still part of North Carolina. I cannot come up with a reasonable guess as to the identity of the person referred to by this veteran.

This deponent states that he has no Record of his age and he states that he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his service aforesaid and he states that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service as aforesaid. He states that William Steveson and Jacob Rynor all persons in his neighborhood who can testify to my character and belief etc.

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.

S/ John McCoy, X his mark

(This applicant for answer to those interrogatories to be propounded to him by the Court refers the Court to his declaration for an answer to each and every one of those interrogatories.)

[Jacob Reynerson and William Stinson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]