Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Powe S11252 Transcribed by Will Graves f19VA 11/13/12

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State of Kentucky Garrard County Sct.

On this 21st day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court it being a County Court held in and for the County aforesaid and now in session, William Powe a resident of said County, aged about 74 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 in the Revolutionary War, and served faithfully eleven tours of duty. His first engagement was in the County of Orange State of Virginia, he thinks in February 1778 as a substitute for James McColister [I'm guessing that this man's name was James McAllister or some variation thereof] for one month to guard Burgoyne's prisoners at Albemarle Barracks. His Captain was Benjamin Johnson. Shortly afterwards he was drafted in the same County, for the same time and upon the same service and perform the duty under James Hawkins Captain Thomas Porter Lieutenant & John Hense [?] Ensign, Richard Taylor was our Colonel both these Tours.

His third tour, he substituted for Henry Cleaton [Henry Clinton?] in the same County, for three months we were marched to Richmond before the time expired, we were directed to return home, but to be ready at a minute's warning to march. In the meantime the British, came up the River, and burnt Manchester [April 30, 1781], and we were immediately called again into service, and he served out that time also faithfully & was discharged. He does not remember distinctly the year. William Buckner was his Captain, a Frenchman a Regular Officer was his Major – he thinks he was called Major M. Cluman [Christian Charles de Klauman].

He again substituted in the same County in place of William Thruston for three months was marched to Osborne on James River twenty-five miles below Richmond and served out the time George Waw [George Waugh] was his Captain. He don't remember more of his officers names in this expedition nor the [word written over and indecipherable] in which it was.

His 5th engagement, was a substitute for John Deer, in the County of Orange Virginia for three months, and was marched to Fredericksburg remained during the winter and discharged & returned home. His Captain by the name of Brown, and B. Daniel was his Lieutenant.

6th He was a substitute for this second time, for James McColister in the same County, for three months. He was marched to Cabbin Point [Cabin Point], from that to Petersburg Virginia, and was there discharged, George Waw was the Captain, he thinks in place of Captain Woodfork [Woodford?] who was not in health at the time, and who died shortly afterwards.

7th. He was drafted in the County aforesaid (Orange) shortly after his return home for three months. He was marched to Richmond, to Osborne and to the Maubin Hills [Malvern Hills] – Buckner was his Captain.

8th This Tour was performed in the manner set forth by William Collins of Indiana, whose testimony will accompany this statement. He knows of no other person now living, by whom he can establish any portion of his services, but Collins.

9th He was again drafted for 3 months in the same County (Orange) was marched to the Maubin Hills & served out the time, James Wright (or Right) was his Captain, and Adam was his Lieutenant.

His 10th Tour is the second one proved by William Collins, and is correctly stated by him. 11th He was a substitute in the same County & state for Jonathan Hiatt for one month to guard a Magazine at Hendersons Barn near Brocks Bridge under William Thomas, Lieutenant, he commanded 25 men at that place.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Wm Powe

[Arabia J. Brown and Elijah Sartan gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

I William Collins do certify that William Powe Senior served in the Army with me in the Virginia Militia two months June in July in the year 1780. We served in Captain George Waw Company in Major Barber [probably Thomas Barbour] Battalion and under Colonel Mathews and were discharged by Colonel Mathews. We entered the service the second time together the 28 of August 1781 under Captain James Jemmerson [James Jamieson] and Colonel James Edmons [James Edmunds or Edmonds'] Regiment. That we were in the service near two months and were discharged by Colonel Edmons

S/ William Collins

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$77.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service for 23 months as a private in the Virginia service.]