

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Robert Givens S13168

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State of Kentucky Lincoln County Sgt.

On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September Eighteen hundred & thirty two personally appeared in open court, before the Justices of the County Court of Lincoln County State of Kentucky now sitting Robert Givens a resident of Lincoln County State of Kentucky aged seventy five 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated

He states that he was drafted as a militia man in the year 1776 or 1777 he does not now recollect in Augusta County Virginia the term of three months and was commanded by Capt John Lewis of Augusta County State of Virginia and that he joined said Company at Staunton Virginia and marched from there to the Warm Springs from that to Back Creek from thence he crossed the mountain to Levi Moors and from thence to Warricks fort [sic: probably the Warwick's Fort at present Green Bank or Clover Lick WV] and at the end of the term for which he was drafted he was discharged by the Captain

he again entered the service in the Spring 1778 as a Volunteer in Capt John Givens Company in the County of Augusta in the Militia service and that he joined the said company a McKilricks at the foot of the north mountain [probably near McKittricks Branch near Great North Mountain] and from that we marched to the warm springs from the warm springs we went to Colo Andersons from Andersons to the big levels [at present Lewisburg WV] from thait to the Big Savannah from there to Colo Donley's fort [sic: Donnally's Fort near present Frankford WV] there we met with our Colonel Lewis and there he was discharged by Colonel Lewis

He states that he again entered the service in September in the year 1778 as a volunteer in Capt Richard May Company ~~in Augusta County~~ Virginia he joined the company at at the Town of Abbington [sic: Abingdon] County of Washington & State of Virginia and marched from that to Logans fort and continued in service for something like eleven months in guarding the fort. the Company was divided and he was discharged by Samuel Craid who was the Lieutenant of said company and he then returned home to Augusta County Virginia

He states that he was called out in February 1781 to guard the prissioners taken a the Cowpens [Battle of Cowpens SC, 17 Jan 1781] and he guarded them something like fifteen days and then discharged

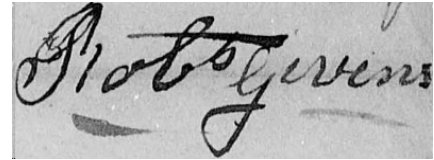
He states that he was ordered out as a militiaman in May 1781 at the time that Cornwallace was at Charlottsvile [sic: not Cornwallis, but Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton at Charlottesville, 4 Jun 1781] and that he was commanded by Capt John Givens which Company was attached to Colonel Huggard [sic: Thomas Hugart] regiment & commanded by Genl [William] Campbell and they marched from Augusta to Charlottesville to Richmond in persuit of Cornwallace from Richmond to Knew Kint [sic: New Kent County] from that to Hotwater and then there was a small engagement between the Militiamen & Brittish [Battle of Hot Water Plantation, 26 Jun 1781] from that to James Old Town [Jamestown] and there we had another engagement with the Brittish [Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] and from that they were removed to diferent places and finally to Richmond and about ten miles below Richmond he was discharged some time in July 1781 He states that he came to Kentucky in the Spring 1782 and some time after this he entered the services as a substitute in place of George Givens in Capt John Dougherty Company to guard McIfee Fort [sic: McAfee's Fort] and he continued guarding the fort untill July which was about two months and then they were discharged he then was called out in a short time after this as a Soldier in Capt John Martins Company which was commanded by Colonel [Benjamin] Logan I joined the said Company at Scotts Station went from that to Lexington from

Lexington to Bryant Station [Bryan's Station in Lexington KY] from thence we started to the Blue licks but before we got there we met the men returning from the Blue licks and they informed us that Col. Todd was defeated [John Todd killed, 19 Aug 1782] they then returned to Bryants Station staid there some time and then went to the Blue licks and there buried the dead that was killed under Todd and then the men was discharged The same fall after this he was called on to serve a Tower of duty on Clarks Campaign [George Rogers Clark's campaign] and he was commanded by Captain John Dougherty we went from Clarks Run where the company met to Lexington thence to Bryant Station & there remained untill the company met Colonel Logan command thence to the Ohio River at the mouth of Licking then met with Gen'l Clark and from there to the Pickewa Towns there took some Prisoners [Piqua, 10 Nov 1782] we there divided and went diferent directions and destroyed several town and then returned home and was discharged

He states that he is satisfied that he served upwards of Two years in actual service He also states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service

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

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Prologivens". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent initial "P".