

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John McCloud S13883

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State of Kentucky Bourbon County: Sct. On this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 1832 personally appeared before me John Hedges a Justice of the peace in & for the County & State aforesaid John McCloud a resident of said County of Bourbon aged ninety-two years the 16<sup>th</sup> of March next 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 was first drafted for one month in Fairfax County Virginia & served that time his Captain was Charles Little, his Colonel was Daniel McCarty, during this service he was marched first to Alexandria & then to the dwelling house of General Washington for the purpose of guarding it, at the house of General Washington his term expired & he was discharged; he was afterwards in Loudoun County Virginia at the house of William Hummer [? could be Summer or Kummer or Cummer—first letter mutilated] drafted for three months his Captain was Richard Spurr, \_\_\_ Kilgore Lieutenant; Colonel James Coleman commanded the Regiment to which Spurr's Company was attached. He served the tour of three months & during this service, he was marched from Hummers' house in Loudoun County to the northward first he thinks to Lancaster then to Logtown, then to Schuylkill [River] & then to the Brandywine, he arrived upon the ground where the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] was fought about eight days after the battle, he was then marched to Germantown then to the Rising Sun near Philadelphia & then to the Hanging Rock at which place I received his discharge from Captain Spurr. He then returned home – Loudoun County Virginia & was afterwards again drafted for three months & served that time under the same Captain. He was this time drafted at Kilgore's house in the Loudoun County was marched by Captain Spurr from Kilgore as to the Army in Gloster County [Gloucester County] Virginia where he remained some time & was then with what he thinks about one half of the Army marched to a place called Russian on the River York at which last place he received his discharge and returned home to Loudoun County. He was afterwards drafted again under the same Captain for three months and served that time – during this Service he marched from the house of Captain Spurr in Loudoun County to the Army in Gloucester County where he remained some time; was then marched to the Hanging Rock where he was discharged & returned to Loudoun County where he lived. He states that in all he served 10 months, that his memory has failed him so that he cannot recollect further particulars then such as already have been stated, that he has forgotten the particular years when he was in the service & has not mentioned them, His memory though it has failed in this, serve Sam as to the length of his service & other particulars as before stated. He states that in every instance he received regular written discharges from his officers but that when he moved from Virginia to Kentucky supposing that they would ever be of any service to him, he destroyed them. He states that he

has no documentary evidence whatever & knows of no person living whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service. He was born in Piscataway County, State of Maryland & though he has no register of his age he thinks and believes that on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March next he will be 92 years old. He lived in Fairfax County Virginia then in Loudoun County Virginia as before mentioned; he moved from Loudoun County to Bourbon County Kentucky 18 years ago to the neighborhood where he now lives & has been living there ever since; He states that from his age & consequent disease & debility he confined to his bed for the 6 months last past & is now orderly unable to attend the Town of Paris at which place the Bourbon Circuit & County Courts are held. He states that there is no Clergyman in his neighborhood who can state as to Reputation of his services in the Revolution, but he can mention Michael Neff, Spencer Buchanan & Jacob Tevebaugh to whom he is well known, who can state as to the common rumor & reputation on that subject.

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 or agency of any State. He states that his handshakes so much that he is unable to write his name or even to make his mark & has to trust another to write it for him.

S/ John McCloud

[Michael Neff & Jacob Tevebaugh gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months in the Virginia militia.]