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Pension Application of William Powell S17022

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County of Cole } SS

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared in open Court, before the Judges of the County Court of Cole County now sitting, William Powell, a resident of Moniteau Township, in the County of Cole, and State of Missouri, aged seventy 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That the first expedition in which he was engaged, he was commanded by Captain Thomas Childs, Lieutenant Mark Allen and Ensign Gainer [William Gainer, Jr], that he does not recollect the day, month nor year when he entered the service, but knows it was the year previous to Gate's defeat at Camden [sic: Gen. Horatio Gates's defeat at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780]: That the expedition was directed against the Tories then assembled at Fayetteville in North Carolina that he marched from Montgomery County [formed from Anson County in 1779] in North Carolina as a private, and resided in that County when he entered the service; served as a volunteer in a single company, until he reached Fayetteville, when he joined a Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Wade: Before he reached Fayetteville, the Tories had left that place and gone to Wilmington, after pursuing them some fifteen or twenty miles, he heard of their defeat by General [Richard] Caswell at Moore's Bridge [Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, 27 Feb 1776], and in consequence thereof the troops returned, when he went home and the Company in which he had served was disbanded; in this expedition he was engaged three months: He next went out as a volunteer, under the same company officers as are mentioned above in a single company for the purpose of reinforcing General Gates a short time before the battle at Camden that he heard the firing of the cannon when at Thompsons Creek [Thompson Creek] on his way to Camden and about ten miles distant from that place; at Thompsons Creek his Company met Gates Army retreating before the British, and returned home and was again disbanded. That in this expedition he was gone about four months: that during this tour he marched from Montgomery County where he resided through Anson County in North Carolina, crossed the Pedee [sic: Pee Dee] River at Mask's ferry, then Jones Creek in South Carolina, then to Thompson's Creek on his way to Camden; afterwards and during the fall after the Battle at Camden he was out under the same Company Officers mentioned above on several scouting expeditions in Montgomery, Richmond and Anson Counties, guarding Pedee River preventing the British or Tories from passing in this service he was engaged about two months. That he did not serve with any Continental troops, nor does he know any regular officers: That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his services That he was born in Queen Ann's [sic: Queen Annes] County in Maryland on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 1754. has no record of his age: Since the revolutionary war he has lived in North Carolina where he lived when he entered the service, from N. Carolina he removed to Davidson County in Tennessee where he lived for one year, from Tennessee he went to Logan County in Kentucky where he lived 15 years, from Kentucky he removed to Cole County in Missouri where he now resides and has resided for ten years. that he always served as a volunteer, never received a discharge: That the Reverend John B. Lougan, Luelling Johnson, and David Moore of his neighbourhood, know him, and can testify to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution That he hereby relinquishes every claim 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 & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

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on this sixth day of May, 1833, personally appeared in open Court, before the Judges of the County Court of Cole County, now sitting, William Powell, a resident of Moniteau Township in the County of Cole and state of Missouri, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following Amendments to his declaration heretofore made, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7 1832.

The said William Powell, being first duly sworn deposeth and saith, that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades: For eight months I served as a private; and for such service I claim a pension. That the said service was performed as is stated in his original declaration; That according to the best of his recollection he first entered the service in the year 1779 and served in that and the year following. That in his original declaration he states, (in the very words of the form furnished by the War Department) "That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his services." and now makes the same declaration, and says that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who is now or was living at the time of his making his original declaration and that he has no documentary evidence, and that such evidence cannot be procured

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