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Pension Application of Edmund Bartlett S17247

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State of Missouri }
County of Randolph } Ss.

On this 20th day May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three personally appeared in open Court, before the County Court of Randolph County, now sitting Edmund Bartlett, a resident of the town of Huntsville in the County aforesaid, and State of Missouri, aged Seventy three 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 under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

1st. Under Captain John Tankersly, Col Thorntons Regiment in the Militia of Virginia then residing in spottsylvania [sic: Spotsylvania] County in said state, rendezvoused at Cathara's store in said County about the first day of August in the year 1776 thence marched to Hanover C. H. and from thence returned to Fredericksburg and were stationed there during the remainder of this tour which lasted two months having been discharged October 1st. Entered this engagement as a volunteer was acquainted with General's Muhlenberg & Weeden [sic: George Weedon] Col Feebecker [sic: Christian Febiger] & Capt Lovely [possibly William Lewis Loveley] of the virginia line, was in no engagement on this tour, and He further states that he entered as a private.

2nd In the month of April in the year 1777 again entered the service as a substitute for Robert Dawson a private in Capt Thomas Cruther's [sic: Thomas Crutcher's] Company in the Regiment commanded by Col George Stubblefield in the County of Spottsylvania virginia rendezvoused at Carathara's store in said County about the first of April as aforesaid, and marched thence to Williamsburg, and there continued until July following was in no engagement on this tour and was acquainted with Cols. Merryweather [probably Thomas Meriwether] & Mathis [probably Sampson Mathews], Major Hardiman & others name not now recollected, was discharged at Williamsburg, after the expiration of the two months being the time we were called on to serve.

3rd. Entered the service as a private in Capt Nicholas Payne's company Va Militia having been drafted the first of April 1778. rendezvoused, at Spottsylvania C. H. and marched to Caroline County, Port Royal, and remained stationed there during this tour which lasted two months being discharged the fist of June, was stationed with another company of Militia from Caroline County commanded by Capt Taylor, was in no engagement on this tour and was acquainted with no regular officers —

4th. Again the month of October 1779 was drafted and entered the service in the county aforesaid, in Capt Hollidays company Col George Stubblefields regiment Va Militia rendezvoused at spottsylvania C. H. and marched through Hanover Caroline & into a part of Louisa Counties and from thence returned to Williamsburg and remained stationed there, until the 2 month tour for which we were drafted expired being discharged about the 1st of December served two months under this engagement was in no battle, acquainted with Gen Mathis of the virginia line (as he believes not certain).

5th In the month of March 1780, was drafted and entered the service as a private in Capt John White's company in the regiment commanded by Col Nicholas Payne rendezvoused at Spottsylvania C. H. and from thence marched through Fredercksburg and from thence to Leesburg, and there remained reconnoitering the Country in the vicinity until our tour for which we we were drafted had expired which was on the first day of May in the year aforesaid, acquainted with no regular officers and was in no engagement on this tour served two months on this tour

6th. again in the year 1781 was drafted for a tour of two months, and entered the service in Capt. Taylor's

company in Regiment of va Militia commanded by Col Thomas Merryweather, rendezvoused at Fredericksburg, under said officers and from thence marched within a few miles of Richmond were halted & remained perhaps one day until the American Army under Gen LaFayette joined us on their retreat [20 May], thence continued the retreat under Gen LaFayette passing through besides others Spottsylvania and Orange Counties to the Raccoon ford of the Rapiddan River [sic: Rapidan River, 6 Jun], the army was then ordered to return in the direction of Williamsburg, the time for which Capt Taylor's company was called into service having expired we were discharged on the rout at the burnt Aurnary [sic: Burnt Ordinary about 8 mi NW of Williamsburg] – served on this tour two months but is unable to say positively what months in the said year this service was rendered. acquainted with Gen Stephen's [sic: Edward Stevens] Col Mathis & others names not remembered on this tour.

7th. In the year 1781 aforesaid was drafted and entered the service as a private in Capt Frank Coleman's [Francis Coleman's] company about the 15th of August, rendezvoused at Caratha's store, in Col Merryweathers Regiment Gen Stephen's Brigade, Marched to the big spring below Williamsburg and from thence returned to what was then called the new barracks. And remained some time here and from there were ordered by forced marches to York in Va. arrived there about the commencement of the siege [28 Sep], and remained in active service, until the surrender of Lord Cornwallis and his army which he thinks was on or about the 19th October 1781 served on this tour some days over the time for which he was drafted (towit, 2 months. On this tour seen Gen's Washington LaFayette [Benjamin] Lincoln & many others whose names it is unnecessary to mention, after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis he received for himself & company a written discharge, his officers being all sick and out of place, this discharge he has now no knowledge of having long since been lost, for all the other tours he had no written discharge his discharge was signed (he thinks) by Gen Stephens.

8th about the first of December 1781 this applicant was designated with a guard of 18 men to escort some Hessian Prisoners taken at the siege of york, and ordered to Winchester he took charge of them at Fredericksburg and conducted them to Fauquier C. H. and there delivered them to an officer appointed to take charge of them, and returned home having been on this service twenty four days.

This applicant states that he served in the tours above detailed the term of fourteen months and twenty four days without counting the extra days on the 7th tour of duty, with an emboyded [sic: embodied] force called into the service by the authority of the state of Virginia and that he was actually in the field or garrison for and during the whole of the periods above set forth, and that for and during the time this service was performed was not engaged in any civil pursuit, and was constantly subject to the orders of his officers lawfully appointed to command.

This applicant further states that he was born in the County of Spottsylvania in the State of Virginia, (where he entered the service) on the 23rd day of December 1759. And from thence removed to the state of Kentucky and in the year 1830 to the Town of Huntsville in the County of Randolph where he now resides.

He has no documentary evidence by which to prove his services aforesaid or any part thereof, and that since the passage of the act of June 7th 1831 [sic: 1832] he has diligently sought for living witnesses to prove his services aforesaid but has been unable to find any person by whom he can prove his services or any part thereof. He therefore states that he is unable to produce any Testimony to establish his claim other than his own solemn declaration

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension 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 and year aforesaid [signed] Edmd Bartlett