

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Roush S18579

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State of Ohio Meigs County: On this 1st day of October A.D. 1832 Personally appeared in Open Court George Roush a resident of Sutton Township in said County aged 71 years & some months who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein after stated. That he entered the Service under Captain John Roush his Brother, both of Shenandoah County Virginia, sometime in the year 1779 as he verily believes; he thinks it about two years before Cornwallis's was taken, he was drafted to serve a tour of two months in the Company aforesaid that he was sixteen years of age when he was drafted to go on said tour – that we were directed to go to Norfolk Virginia – but when we got as far as the River called the Monacus [?]¹ we were stopped (our company) just below Fredericksburg where we remained until our time expired, when we returned home to Shenandoah.

That sometime in the spring of the year 1780 I was again drafted for a tour of 2 months & went out in the Company commanded by Captain Joseph Pew[sic, Joseph Pugh] – We left Shenandoah for Winchester (I think) in Bartley County [Berkeley County] Virginia; we went on to Millerstown where Captain Pugh lived; & guarding prisoners from Millerstown to Winchester, where I spent the tour. It was near here that Colonel Jacob Rankin was so clos? [closely?] pursued by the British, & having two sick or wounded soldiers, to save them, he was obliged to dismount & placed them both upon his own Horse, & this saved them – your applicant further states that about harvest time in 1781 he was drafted the third time for three months & served under Captain All. Kept [several indecipherable words] for Little York & went on to a place called Falmouth, which, I think was on the opposite side of the River from Fredericksburg, where we staid some time returned to Stony Creek, in & about a place called Sink's Mill; where we were constantly employed in watching & catching Tories, at this place they were exceedingly troublesome – I was born in the year 1761 in July in Shenandoah County Virginia, but have no record of my age; I removed from Shenandoah to Ohio thirty years ago. I have no recollection of the names of any officers except Colonel Jacob Rankin &, that I have no documentary evidence of my services & knows of no one that I can prove them by unless by Jonas Roush of Virginia. That I have long been a resident of Sutton & believes that all my neighbors can testify as to my character for veracity – that Jacob Wolf & Michael Nease & others can testify as to of [sic] their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution – I hereby relinquish all claim

1. Monacus

whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ George Roush, X his mark

[Jacob Wolfe & Michael Nease gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The State of Ohio Meigs County: SS

Personally appeared before me Jonas Roush² of lawful age who being duly sworn depose & saith that in the year 1779 (as deponent believes) his Brother George Roush was drafted to serve a tour of two months in the Company commanded by another Brother Captain John Roush with whom deponent then lived that the said George was out during the aforesaid two months. That in the spring of the year 1780 the said George Roush was drafted to serve a two months tour in the militia in the company commanded by Captain Joseph Pugh the said Company guarded Prisoners from Millerstown to Winchester where he served his two months tour – That in the summer of 1781 deponent does not recollect the date but remembers he was harvesting at the time – the said George & himself served a three months tour under Captain All – the said George served as a substitute for Jacob Roush who was drafted – that they were marched to a place called Falmouth near Fredericksburg after continuing there a time returned to Shenandoah County & were employed on Stony Creek near Sink's Mills in place where there were many Tories & at the expiration of the two months word discharged & further saith not.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 10th day of September A.D. 1832

S/ T. Nye, JP

S/ Jonas Roush, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months in the Virginia militia.]

² [Jonas Roush \(Roush\) S4785](#)