

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Abraham Cross (Crass) S1900

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State of Tennessee, Sullivan County

On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the court of pleas now sitting Abraham Cross a resident of the State & County aforesaid age eighty years. Who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath made the following statement in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832.

That he served six months in the service of North Carolina from Washington County known as Sullivan as a drafted militia man under Capt. Hicks. That he was During said six months partly the times at the fort at shoats ford and on scouting parties and sometimes as an Indian spy against the Indians allies to the British, and if I ever Received any discharge don't recollect it other than verbally which service was performed in the year 1777.

In the year 1779 leaved two towers [sic, tours] down the Holston [River] and on the frontiers at Big Creek at Koch [?, could be Koils] Station and its vicinity and did serve one month each time more no written discharged.

Late in the summer of 1781 volunteered under Capt. Lopp<sup>1</sup> for four month tour and did serve said four months was marched to Gen. Marion's Camps in South Carolina was marched below Monks corner [sic, Moncks Corner] took number of prisoners & brought them to the camps and did continue service until the expiration of the time for which I entered the service in all I think Rendered over one year service and has no documentary proof.

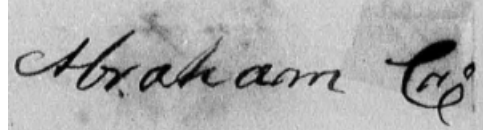
He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension of annuity except the present and has declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of this State or elsewhere and that this is the first effort that he made to have his name enrolled on the pension list.

Sworn to and subscribed this day and year aforesaid in open court.

S/ Abraham Cro[ss] [signature cut off]

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<sup>1</sup> The War Department him interpreted this name as "Topp" or "Zopp," but I believe it is most likely a reference to John Lopp.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Abraham Cross". The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured paper.

Edward Cox & Joseph Malone residents of Sullivan County do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Abraham Cross who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration and believe him to be eighty years of age that he is reputed and believe in his neighbour [sic, neighborhood] where he resides to have been a Revolutionary soldier and we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court 22<sup>nd</sup> of August 1832

S/ Edward Cox

S/ Joseph Malone

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$46.66 commencing March 4th, 1831, for 14 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]