Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Moseley S21891 Transcribed by Will Graves

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The State of South Carolina Abbeville District: SS

On this 24th day of October in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Richard Gantt Presiding Judge of the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions for said State & District now sitting Joseph Moseley Senior a resident of Abbeville District in the State of South Carolina aged sixty-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 provision made by the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832 –

That sometime in the winter of the year 1781 he was called into the service of the United States as a drafted militia man for three months under the command of one Captain Francis Goode belonging to the twenty third Virginia Regiment, that he [was] drafted in Chesterfield County State of Virginia and marched from thence under Captain Goode for Prince George County on James & Attomattic [Appomattox ?] Rivers from thence he marched to Williamsburg where the company an applicant were stationed until his full term of three months expired and then received a written discharge from Captain Francis Goode by order either from Colonel Faulkner or Colonel Goode but which discharge has long, for a long time past, been lost to the Applicant. —

That the Applicant entered the service of the United States a second time in the summer of the year 1781 in Chesterfield County in the State of Virginia, under a Captain Blackman Moseley as a drafted militia man for the period or term of 3 months, that Thomas Polaieg [Thomas Pollard?] was Lieutenant of the company, name of in some forgotten, that he the Applicant was marched from Chesterfield County State of Virginia to Bermuda Hundred remained there some time from thence to Petersburg from thence to City Point, remained there some, from thence to Petersburg again, from thence the Applicant was sent under a Lieutenant Thomas Burfoot a regular recruiting officer on a Detachment to guard the public Stores & property of the American Army at Chesterfield Courthouse where the Applicant got his hip dislocated, which was done in the service, & which injury the Applicant seriously feels to this day putting him past bodily labor the Applicant here got a discharge from the service given by Captain Mosley, by order of Colonel Clark, the Applicant had fully served within a few days his full term of 3 months service, he being near home when the injury happened, & his time of service nearly expired he got a full discharge which has long ago been lost to the Applicant.

The applicant hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

S/ Joseph Moseley Senior

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State of South Carolina Abbeville District: to wit –

Amended Declaration of Joseph Moseley an Applicant for a pension under the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832

Abbeville District

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for the District of Abbeville in the State of South Carolina Joseph Moseley who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services mentioned in his declaration, for a pension under the act of Congress of 7 June 1832, the deponent hath also answered and sworn to his answers of the first second fifth & seventh interrogatories as herein stated and set forth the is first Interrogatory where and in what year were you born?

Answer – The Applicant says he was born in the State of Virginia in Chesterfield County on the first day of January in the year 1765.

2nd Interrogatory – Have you any record of your age; and if so, where is it?

Answer. The Applicant says that he has a record of his age which record he copied from his father's Bible, where his age is originally recorded & which original & Bible is in Kentucky, the copy the applicant has in possession.

5th. State the names of some of the regular Officers who were with the troops where you served; such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer – The applicant says the general circumstances of his services he has mentioned in his declaration, General Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg], Baron Steuben, Colonel William Davis, & Lieutenant Bufford there was a militia Regiment commanded by Colonel Goode from Chesterfield County Virginia & another militia Regiment commanded by Colonel Clark from Halifax County Virginia.

Interrogatory 7th. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution.

Answer – Patrick Calhoun, William Calhoun, Doctor William Tennant, Williamson Norwood & Henry Hester all persons to whom I am known in my present neighborhood and who can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution.

S/ Joseph Moseley, Senior

[James Moore, a clergyman, and James Alston gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]