

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Harrell S2596

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State of Ohio Meigs County SS

On this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July A.D. 1832 personally appeared before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said County of Meigs, George Harrell a resident of Letart Township in the County of Meigs, in the State of Ohio, aged Seventy-seven years, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May last, 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 June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated (viz.)

That on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 1781 (he having been previously drafted for the term of two months) he left his residence in Shenandoah County Virginia and joined the Army of the United States at Richmond in that State, in the Company commanded by Captain Jacob Pennywet [Jacob Pennyweight] & in the Regiment under the command of Major Welch & Colonel Edmonds [probably Elias Edmunds]. That he continued to serve in the said Company, among said troops in and about Richmond until the expiration of said two months – when he received a discharge signed by his aforesaid Captain. – He then started for home and got about twenty miles on his way when an express overtook them from the Army, ordering all the soldiers back – that he immediately returned to the Army at Richmond and joined the Company commanded by Captain John Sharp who was under the above named Major & Colonel. – That he continued to serve in said Company for two months, when he again received a discharge signed by Captain Sharp and Venus Odle [probably Sylvanus Odle or Odell] the Lieutenant of said Company

That he returned to his residence in Shenandoah County and was immediately drafted again for a tour of two months, and after remaining at home for three days, he joined the Army at Williamsburg in the Company commanded by Captain Grooms, who was also under the command of the above named Major & Colonel. – That he marched to little York, joined the main Army there, and was at the taking of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] – that after the surrender of Cornwallis, he marched in the last named company to Winchester, in the neighborhood of which place he was employed as a guard over Prisoners until the expiration of his two months service, when he received a third discharge signed by the last named Captain & Thomas Hand, the Lieutenant of said Company. That during his aforesaid services amounting to six months, he was in no battle. That he retained his three discharges till sometime in the year 1783, when Colonel William Jennings took them to Richmond and as he supposed deposited them in the public office there & returned to him the Certificates for his said services – That he

was born in Shenandoah County Virginia on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 1755: that he has no record of his age: that he resided in Shenandoah County Virginia when he was called into service: & that he has since resided in Shenandoah & Kanawha Counties in Virginia & that he has resided for 12 or 13 years past in the Township above named.

That he has no documentary evidence of his said service, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service, unless it be the testimony of one Michael Ayleshire who resides in this County who he thinks served with him for two months in the Company commanded by Captain Sharp – whose Deposition he intends to take & forwarded to the War Department with this Declaration.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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 and subscribed in open Court this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July A.D. 1832

S/ Marcus Bosworth, Clerk

S/ George Harrell, X his mark

[Edward McDade and Peter Wolf gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Ohio Meigs County: SS

– personally appeared before me the Subscriber an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County Michael Alishire of lawful age and being duly sworn by me as the law directs deposed and says that he was intimately acquainted with George Herrald [sic] (who now resides in this County near Letart Falls) in the Revolutionary War that the said Herrald and Deponent then resided in Shenandoah County Virginia that the same year that Cornwallis was taken the said Herrald and Deponent were drafted and went into the service, that they met there Company under the command of Captain George Prince and Lieutenant Sylvanus Odell at the Store house of McIntosh in said County, that they marched towards a place called Little York, and on their way thither was attached to Captain John Sharp's Company that the said Harrold [sic] and Deponent served in the vicinity of Little York about 2 months During that time Cornwallis was taken &c.

And further this Deponent saith not

S/ Micael Aleshire, X his mark

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