

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joshua Crump S30352 VA
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State of Kentucky

County of Hart Sct

On this 11th day of September 1832 personally appeared in Open Court before the Justices thereof now in session Joshua Crump aged Sixty eight years in May next 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 in Bedford County Virginia under Capt John Callaway of the light horse in the year 1780 as well as he now recollects, that he rendezvoused at Petersburg Virginia and there remained until we were discharged but the length of time he was detained there he cannot certainly say tho he believes it was about two months. Our Lieutenants name was William Calloway [William Callaway]. At Petersburg we were under the command of General [Robert] Lawson that he entered the service above named as a volunteer and does not remember the other officers who commanded &c. That he entered the service again as a substitute he believes in the year 1781 but for whom he substituted himself he cannot now recollect that he was marched to New London [now in] Campbell County Virginia to assist in guarding the magazine at that place and there remained a short time when the magazine was removed into Botetout [sic: Botetourt] County and he removed with it still acting as a guard that said Magazine was shortly afterward moved back again to New London in consequence of Lord Cornwallis retreat down toward York and he still detained as a guard until the expiration of three months from the time he commenced the service as a guard. That Capt Irish had the command of the magazine and Capt Butler commanded the guard that he served out the term of three months for which he first engaged but received no discharge

That he again entered the service in 1782 as a private under Capt Richardson [Jonathan Richeson]. A Mr Graves Lieutenant as a substitute for John P. Crump was mustered into the service in New Kent County and marched down to York and there remained until discharged but the length of time he was engaged in the service this last time he cannot say but is confident it was not less than six or eight weeks when they were discharged

That he never received any written discharge and has no documentary evidence of his service In each of the services spoken of by him he was in the service of the United States in the revolutionary War against the British. That he does not remember the names of the other officers of the army with whom he served. That he was born in the state of Virginia and resided there until the year 1795 when he removed to Kentucky and has resided in Kentucky ever since and now resides in Hart County Kentucky. this applicant further states that he knows of no one in this country by whom he can prove his services or any part thereof except Jeremiah Dawson [pension application R2778] and no more by him that is contained in his affidavit hereafter to be filed as part of this application. 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 the day and year aforesaid [signed] Joshua Crump

The court examined the applicant Joshua Crump & upon the interrogatories proposed by the War department to the first He answered that he was born in New Kent County Virginia in the month of May 1765 and now has in his possession a record of his age. To the third he answered that he resided in Bedford County Virginia when he entered the service and has resided since the war as stated in his declaration and now resides in Hart County Kentucky To the fourth he stated that he was called into the service & served as stated in his declaration . He further stated that he did not recollect the names of any of the officers with whom he served except these stated in his declaration.

That he never received any discharge from the service and that Richard Munford Jeremiah Dawson & Nathaniel Roundtree of his neighborhood are well acquainted with him and can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution. Said applicant further states that there was no clergyman residing near him by whom his character can be established.

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On this 16th day of May 1833 personally appeared before me a justice of the peace for hart county Kentucky Joshua Crump of said county, who being by me duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively to the precise length of time he served as a soldier of the American Revolution, but, according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades
For two months I served in the first tour mentioned in my declaration as a private soldier, under Captain Calloway. For three months I served in the second tour guarding the magazine of the country as a private soldier as mention in my original declaration. For two months I served in the third and last expedition or tour mentioned in my declaration as a private soldier also. I served also, some other tours against the tories for which service, however I make no claim. But for the three tours above stated amounting in all to not less than seven months, I claim a pension from the Government. [signed] Joshua Crump]