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Pension application of Isom [Isham] Childers S30928

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State of Illinois Lawrence County: SS

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Circuit Court for the County of Lawrence and State of Illinois now sitting Isom Childers of the County of Lawrence aforesaid aged sixty-six 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he volunteered for the term of three months under Captain ___ Blantain [sic, probably "Blanton"], Colonel Sowel [Benjamin Seawell?] & General Sumner [Jethro Sumner] that he marched from Warrenton in North Carolina to Waxhaw Creek where they were attacked by the enemy and returned to Charlotte in Maklenburg [Mecklenburg] County where there was a small skirmish. That part of this time he was with General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]. This was about the year 1779¹ but that he cannot recollect certainly the month or year. At this time he was a resident of Warren County North Carolina of which he is a native.

That he served another tour of three months as a volunteer under Captain Blantain, Col. Sowel & General Sumner. This he believes was in the year 1780 but that he can't recollect the month. That he was not with any regular officers. That he still resided at the same place in Warren County North Carolina. That in his marching that he volunteered for another term of three months he was at Hillsboro and Salisbury in North Carolina and at the Wateree [River] in South Carolina. That he volunteered for another term of three months to assist General Washington in the siege of Cornwallis. That he had marched till within about half a day's march from York when they heard the news of the surrender of Cornwallis. That he believes his Captain's name was Johnston but he can't recollect certainly and that he does not recollect the names of any higher officers. That he has no record of his age that he was born in Warren County North Carolina that he lived at the same place during all the time of the war – that he has since lived in Rutherford County in Tennessee that he has since lived in the County of Green in the State of Illinois and that he now lives in Lawrence County Illinois. That he received

¹ The event described by the veteran probably occurred in 1780, not 1779 as the British did not occupy Charlotte until September of 1780.]

discharges for each term one signed by General Sumner the others he does not recollect by whom signed and that they have all been lost by time and accident.

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.

S/ Isom Childers, X his mark

[William Farley, a clergyman, and Thomas C Collins gave the standard supporting affidavit.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for nine months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]