

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Robert Garrott (Garrett) S31054
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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State of Kentucky }
Montgomery County } SS

On this 12th day of Sepr 1832 Personally appeared in open Court before Silas W Robbins the sole nd prising Judge for the county and circuit of Montgomery now sitting Robt Garrett a resident of Montgomery County and State aforsaid aged eighty two years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benifit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832. That he entered the service of the US under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He states that he was born in the state of Virginia Prince William County in the year 1750 In the month of Octr. and that he entered the service of the U.S. as a volunteer in the above county in the year 1777 the month not recollected but thinks it was in the spring under capt Harrison A May or Ramsey. Rendezvoused at Dumfrees [sic: Dumfries]. From thence we marched to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] from thence to Hampton & their continued for 3 months I rec'd a discharge for my tour which was four months from the time I left home till discharged

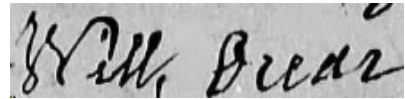
he states that the next Tour he performed was as a volunteer for nine months (and from same county) to go on an expedition against the British Governor then resident in the then teritary of Illinois whose name I think was Phillip Rosebuos [sic: Philipe-François de Rastel de Rocheblave] If I have not forgo[page torn] under capt. Helms [sic: Leonard Helm, pension application R14982] and col. G. R. Clark [George Rogers Clark] and I think Wm Lynn [William Lynn] was Major. We marched to Read Stone [Redstone Fort, now Brownsville PA] their rendezvoused from thence we continued our march or at least our rout by decending the Ohio River to the falls [at present Louisville KY] here we remained some time in order to give time for the Virginia Malitia from holston [Holston River] and the adjoining country to come up. So soon as they arri[page torn] we rendezvoused again. And continued down the River within something like 40 miles from its mouth we here landed in the Now state of Illinois proceeded caiously through the forest under the directions of a pilot by the name of Lundin to a small Town at which the British Governour Resided called (I think) Coho [sic: Kaskaskia]. And as the object was to capture the Governour we after much fetiague and difficulty succeeded in taking him [4 Jul 1778]. Shortly after taking him we commenced our march for Virginia came on to Kentucky and there we were relieved of him by capt [John] Montgomery who escorted him to Richmond Virginia We we[page torn] some short time after capt Montgomery went on proceeded back to Virginia and in the above county of Prince William we were discharged having been absent on duty nine months and [page torn] a discharge for that time. He states that the next Tour was 3 months under capt Payton [sic: Peyton] & col Churchwell [possibly Armistead Churchill] which he served out in the state of Virginia We however during this tour marched to Williamsburgh and to Richmond and here we were discharged I think by capt Payton for our tour of three months He also states that he served several short tours against the British to prevent them from landing on our shoars which was a continual warfair[?] under different offi[page torn] to time greatly exceeding one & ½ months but he is certain of that length of time Serving in the whole 17 months for which I never rec'd one cent of good money it is true I rec'd. continental mony which yielded me nothing. (He states he is old and infirm and scarcely able to get about) He also states he has lost all his discharges and of course has no documentary evidence of his services he states he now lives in Montgomery County & state of Ky and has for a number of years he knows of no living witness by whom he can prove it he states he has no record of his age but remembers it from what his parents told him in early life

He hereby relinquishes all and ever 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 to the day & year aforsaid.

Robert hisXmark Garrett

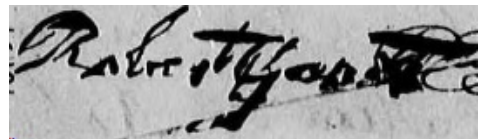
[Certified by John O'Rear, pension application S31285.]

Wm. Orear [William Orear] this 23^d day of April 1833 personally appeared before Levy Y Mulspaugh a Justice of the peace for Montgomery County & state of Ky & made oath that he is & has been acquainted with Robt Garrott (who has sworn to and subscribed this his original and supplemental Declaration) For something over sixty years. And can certify that said Garrott lived in the county & state he has named and at the time he has named in his original & supplemental Declaration. And can also certify that said Garrott went on the Expedition to Illinois as set forth in his declaration & was gone for that length of time (to wit) nine months I also have a personal knowledge of the three months named in his original & supplemental Declaration & under the officer therein named as I myself was along. I also have a knowledge of some of the short Tours as named in his declarations that I was with him on some of them. As to the rest of his services I have not a personal knowledge but do not hesitate to say he served as he states as I know him to be a man of veracity & good moral character
Given under my hand and seal this day & date above.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wm. Orear".

State of Montgomery County} SS

On this 6th day of May 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the county court in and for the county afores'd. now sitting Robt Garrott residing in Montgomery county Ky aged as stated in his original Decla'n. and files this as his supplemental declartion in affidavit on oath in due form of Law. That He is advised that all his original declaration Wanted was a clergyman's certificate the courts certifiat as to the credibility of the witness and also the answer to the 7th Interrogatory. That the certificate of the clergyman will be seen below [not transcribed]. as also the couts certificate as to the credibility of the witness. As to the 7th Interrogatoy he would say that he knows of Henry Darnall a clergyman & Jas. H. Wells both of whome he is well acquainted and live in the same neighborhood who can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my Revolutionary services in the neighborhood where he resides

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robt Garrott".