

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of McCauley Thomas¹ S31248

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State of Kentucky Harrison County: Sct.

On this 12th day of February 1833 before me David Snodgrass a Justice of the peace in & for said County of Harrison & State of Kentucky and a member of the County Court of Harrison County Kentucky – Appeared Thomas McCauley Senior a resident of Harrison County in the State of Kentucky aged upwards of seventy-five years, having been born in Anne Arundel County Maryland in the fall of the year 1757, Who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the law of Congress passed June 7th 1832. He states that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein after stated. That he entered the said Service as an enlisted Soldier for six months in the spring of the year __ under Captain James Disney, Lieutenant Nicholas Sellman, and Ensign Edward Spurrier, Colonel Halls Regiment & in General Putnam's brigade; who with General Washington & General Stirling are all the regular General & Officers that he recollects. That he marched from Anne Arundel County Maryland to the head of Elk [River]; betwixt Annapolis & Philadelphia; Thence towards the coasts near the White Plains; Thence to the battle of the White Plains where he was under Colonel Hall and, who acted under General Smallwood in this Engagement. Thence to Staten Island where he was in the battle on said Island & saw from the Fort, on Staten Island the massacre of the Americans & surrender of General Stirling to the British. Here his said tour expired being under General Washington. That he was then detained and entered the said service for 6 months longer with the addition of Lieutenant Richard Tidings under the same Officers there being a pressing call for men, they being scarce. After staying at Staten Island of while he marched to & fro through the Country from Staten Island & was in several other scouts & skirmishes among others, one at Germantown, and as Cornwallis went one way, the troops with whom he was, went another towards & near Annapolis – thence back towards fish Kills & Kings ferry & until this tour Expired, when he was dismissed & went home. That he does not recollect of having received a discharge – if he did, it has been long since lost or mislaid, That the record of his age is at Philip H Hopkins of South River, between Baltimore Annapolis Maryland and Anne Arundel County. That he was living on Elk Ridge 12 miles from Ellicotts mills, half way between Baltimore & George Town, when he entered said service and then until 1818 in the spring, when he moved to Harrison County Kentucky where he has resided ever since & now resides there. That he verily believes and asserts that he served as aforesaid for full 12 months; That he knows of no person living, by whom he can prove his said services. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to

¹ This application appears to have nothing to do with the southern campaign and is included in this database only because it is erroneously indexed in the pension files under the Virginia veterans.

a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State or territory whatever.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Thos. McCauley, X his mark

S/. David Snodgrass

[John Whitaker Senior, a clergyman, and William Rayman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 12 months in the Virginia service.]