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Pension Application of Daniel Brown S32132

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State of Illinois } Ss.

Madison County } On this third day of December AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before David Levett Thomas Gilham and Robert Aldrich the court of county commissioners for the county & state aforesaid now sitting, Daniel Brown a resident of Goshen Township in the county and state aforesaid, aged seventy three 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated

He lived in Augusta County Virginia and on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August 1776 was drafted, and entered the service of the United States immediately as a private soldier in a company of Virginia Militia infantry under John Gilmore Sen'r. [John Gilmer] as Captain and Guy Hamilton as Lieutenant of the company, and he marched under the said officers from his place of residence in Augusta County to Bledsoes fort on Holstein river [sic: Bledsoe's Fort on Holston River] about eighteen miles above the long or big Island [Long Island of Holston at present Kingsport TN], at this place or near it, the company to which he belonged fell in with other companies and Colonel [William] Russell took the command of the whole, and they were marched down to Long or Big Island, Russell continued the acting colonel until the army had collected at the place of Rendezvous at or near the said Island. And then Colonel William Christian took the command the said Brown was with the army marched thence to the Cherokee towns above the mouth of Holstien river against the Indians they were in no battle. There were a company of regulars with them at the Island called State troops Michael Dougherty was their Leutenant. There were no other continenal or Regular troops with them. He was discharged & left the service after being marched back to Augusta County at Staunton the county town on the 15<sup>th</sup> Nov'r. 1776.

The said Brown lived in Kentucky County State of Virginia, on the waters of Dicks river [sic: Dix River] near where the town of Danville now is, he was drafted and entered the service of the Untied States, as a private soldier in a company of Virginia Militia as an infantry ranger under Charles Gadliff as Captain and James Ray as Leutenant. He marched to Bryant's Station [Bryan's Station near Lexington KY] on the waters of North Elkhorn, where He with the company was stationed as a guard to the frontier. Levi Todd of Lexington as Major directed Captain Gadliff, to what part of the country he should direct his ranging operations, the company were out repeatedly on scouting expeditions, they trailed the Indians but did not succeed in overtaking them, and had no battle. The said Brown was in service six weeks, and some time in October left the service by the Captains consent. Entered the service for the above engagement, in August & left it in October 1780. There were no Continental troops with them.

He lived at the same place and was again drafted, and entered the service in May 1781 in a company of Virginia Militia drafted for canoe makeing – infantry under the command of John Martin as Captain and David Adams as ensign and Alexander Robertson as master workman of the Artificers. He was marched from Dicks river to the mouth of Benson on the Kentucky river and remained in the service six weeks, fitting out a craft to carry and expedition to Detroit against the British and Indians. The core was composed of about fifty men John Martin commanded the guard, and Alexander Robertson the workmen. The said Brown belonged to the latter. The last of June they were relieved by another company and left the service.

He resided at the same place in 1782. entered the service some time in May, in a company of Virginia Militia as a Seargeant under Colonel Stephen Trigg, in a company commanded by Captain [William] McBride, (does not remember his Christian name distinctly thinks it was William) and

Leutenant John Irvin. was marched from Dicks river to the falls of Ohio [at present Louisville], remained in the service one month & was discharged some time in June & left the service. He was employed in making a garison. During the same year while he lived at the same place, he entered the service as a Sergeant in a company of Virginia Malitia under the command of Captain Samuel Kirkham, and Leutenant Benjamin Pettit [Benjamin Pettot], the said Brown was marched to Bullets lick with the company and there stationed as a guard for three weeks, and then returned home and were called out again and marched against the Indians on mad river, during this expedition Captain Kirkham, and Henry Greder as Leutenant commanded the company, George Rodgers Clark [sic: George Rogers Clark] Commanded as General Benjamin Logan as Colonel and John Logan as Lieutenant colonel, and Hugh McGary as Major marched from Dicks river to Lexington, thence to the mouth of Licking river on the Ohio, where he crossed the Ohio river & General Clark took the command thence to the Shawnee Indian village on Mad river after a slight skirmish with the Indians they took the village, and burnt it [10 Nov]. He entered the service for this expedition in October, and was in service one month. was discharged and left the service in November.

He lived at the same place and entered the service by a substitute in the year 1786 as a private – drafted under Captain Adrew Bell [sic: Andrew Bell] and Leutenant Joshua Barbee, entered the service in September, marched against the Wabash Indians under General George Rodgers Clark, to Post Vincennes. They were out six weeks & had no battle.

The said Brown farther states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person (except Francis Roach, who can only testify in part to said services) who can testify to his service. 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] Daniel Brown

State of Illinois } SS.

Madison County } On this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 1833 Personally appeared in open court before David Prickett the court of Probate in & for the county and state aforesaid now sitting Daniel Brown a resident of Goshen Township in the county and state aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his declaration bearing date the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 1832 in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

Question 1<sup>st</sup> Where & in what year were you born?

He states that he was born in Bucks county Pennsylvania, & that having no record of his age he can not be certain as to the year in which he was born, he believes he was born in the year 1757.

Because he was 18 years old past in August 1776 when he first entered the service of the United States. He thinks he was born in the month of October.

Question 2<sup>nd</sup>. Have you any record of your age & if so where is it?

He states that he never had any record of his age.

[signed] Daniel Brown