Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of George Brown S32134
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State of Illinois } SS;
Washington County }

On this twenty first day of Sept A.D. 1835 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judge of the Circuit Court now sitting, George Brown a resident of the County of Washington and State of Illinois, aged eighty 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 dated June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. Was drafted in Charlotte County State of Virginia in the month of March 1780 and served in a Company of drafted militia men under the command of Thomas Williams and was marched into the State of South Carolina and was in the army at the time of General Gates' defeat [defeat of Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780]. Served a tour of six months and was regularly discharged at a place not now recollected in South Carolina.

Was again drafted in Charlotte County State of Virginia in the year 1781 and entered the service of the United States in the company of drafted Militia men commanded by Captain Dudley Bassell in the Regiment commanded by Colonel — Mulinberg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] as well as recollected and joined the army under the command of General Robert Lawson at Cabin Point [in Surry County] in the State of Virginia, and was marched to the Black Swamp, served a tour of three months and was regularly discharged at Mackeys Mills in the State of Virginia.

Was drafted again in the month of July or August in the year 1781 in Charlotte County and State of Virginia and entered the service of the United States in a company of drafted Militia men under the command of Captain — Pickiway in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Holt Richardson in the army commanded by General Robert Lawson, joined the Army at Morgan Hill [probably Malvern Hill in Henrico County] in the State of Virginia, and was regularly discharged at Williamsburg after serving three months. The following Interrogatories were propounded by the Court to the applicant and the following answers given.

first Where and in what year were you born
Ans. in the year 1752, in Chesterfield County Virg'a
Second have you any record of your age and if so where is it.
Ans I have the record at home in a Bible
Thirdly where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolution and where do you now live
Ans. in Charlotte County Virginia – five years in North Carolina and thirty years in Kentucky and Eighteen years in the State of Illinois where I now live
Fourth How were you called into service were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute
Ans. I was Drafted
Fifth State the names of some of the Regular officers who were with the Troops were you served such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service
Ans. I cannot recollect the names of of the Regular Officers of of any Continental or Militia Regiments except that we were with General [Anthony] Wayne a short time.
Sixth Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it
Ans. I received three discharges but not considering them of vallue they were lost.
Seventh State the names of persons to whom you are known in your neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for varacity and good behaviour and your services as a Soldier of the Revolution
Ans. John Philips, William H Bradsby and Liussay Carter he knows of none that can testify as to his Revolutionary Services [signed] George Brown