Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

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[p2] Illinois certificate 22.742

Lewis Ferguson of Sangamon County Ill

Sgt of Virginia under Capt Garland, Col Taylor for 2 years [6 months as a private and 18 months as a sergeant]

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State of Illinois

Sangamon County

On this 5th day of June in the year 1833 personally appeared before the honourable the County Common Commissioners Court, Lewis Ferguson of resident of the county and state aforesaid aged seventy three years who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1778 with Captain Garland Burmly [Garland Burnley] and served in the regiment of guard commanded by Colonel Francis Taylor, Major Roberts. Captain James Purviss & Captain White also commanded companies in this regiment and I believe that Captain Thomas Partin [Thomas Porter] did also. I do not know whether or not the regiment was numbered or not. It was militia the Regiment of guards because they were employed in guarding Burgoyne's captured army. I enlisted at Albemarle Barracks and was to continue at his duties as long as the prisoners were kept at that place. When I enlisted I resided in Culpeper County Virginia. About twenty four years since I removed from Virginia to South Carolina 1 year thence I moved to Kentucky and from thence to this county. I remained in the service at Albemarle Barracks til the Spring of 1780 when the prisoners were marched to Winchester Virginia about the middle of May 1780 I was discharged. I received a written discharge signed by Col Taylor. About six months after I enlisted I was appointed sergeant and continued and until I was discharged. I never was in any action. I know of no person by whom I can prove my service. I have since lost my discharge.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my names is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Lewis Ferguson x his mark

[p4] Routine county substantiation and certification Josiah Smith, Thomas Moffett, Reuben Harrison, County Commissioners Charley R Matheny, clerk

[p17] War department answer to inquiry from Congressman Edwin L Davis states date of death 23Nov1842.

[p13] 27Aug1930 Louis Ferguson inquiry to War Dept on State of Tennessee stationery Lewis Ferguson, Representative, Manchester, Coffee County letterhead.