

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Peter Brandon S35201

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5th Judicial District of Kentucky.

On this 24th day of August 1819 Before me the Subscriber Circuit Judge in & for said district & sole Judge of the Bullet [sic: Bullitt] Circuit Court personally appeared , Peter Brandon aged sixty nine years Resident in Bullet County in said district who being by me first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the U.S. in the revolutionary war, that he the said Peter Brandon in the year of 1775 or 6 enlisted at Winchester Virginia for the Term of one year in the Company Commanded by Capt John Nevil [sic: see endnote], of the rejement commanded by Colo. Russell (as he believes) in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment, that he continued in service the whole of said Term, & at the expiration thereof he reenlisted for the Term of Three years at Pittsburgh in the same Company but then Commanded by Capt. Andrew Waggoner, & same Regiment, that he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the United States untill the spring of 1783 when he was discharged from service at Pittsburgh – that at the time of his discharge he believes the Regiment to which he belonged was known as the 9th Virginia Reg’t.

That he is in Reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support & that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. Sworn to & declared before me the day & year aforesaid

Jno. P. Oldham

Commonwealth of Kentucky

Pendleton County Sct.

This day personally came before me Jedaiah Ashcraft one of the commonwealths Justices for The county afores’ d. William Wharton and made oath that he hath been personally acquainted with Peter Brandon for the space of four or Five years and he the s’d Wharton served as a soldier with the s’d Brandon in the Revelation war in the Company Commanded by Capt. Uriah Springer of the 9th Ridgment commanded By Col. John Gibson of the virginia line in the Continental Establishment this official states that he served with the s’d. Brandon as a soldier and knows that he the said Brandon Did perform actual service as a soldier of The revelation and further this deponant States not. Given from under my hand This 12th day of January 1820

Jedaiah Ashcraft J.P.P.C.

State of Kentucky, September Term 1820

Peter Brandon an applicant for a Pension aged 70 years came personally into this Court being a Court of Record and delivered a Schedule of his Estate which the Court valued at \$27 and to which the said Brandon made Oath agreeably to Law. Whereupon it is ordered that the said Schedule and Oath be recorded and Certified towit “On this 25th day of September 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record for the County of Bullitt by the Common Law & statute laws of this state, Peter Brandon aged 70 years residing in said County, who being first sworn according to Law doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: That in the year 1775 or 1776 he enlisted at Winchester Virginia for the Term of one year in the Company Commanded by Capt John Neville of the Regiment Commanded by Colo. Russell (as he believes) in the line of the state of Virginia on the Continental Establishment, that he continued in service the whole of said Term, and at the expiration thereof he reenlisted for the Term of Three years at Pittsburg in the same Company but then Commanded by Captain Andrew Waggoner & same Regiment, that he continued to serve in said Corps, or in the

service of the united states until the spring of 1783 when he was discharged at Pittsburg. That at the time of his discharge he believes the Regiment to which he belonged was known as the 9th Virginia Regiment. That he has lost his discharge. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed Viz't. 2 Beds \$15. 1 axe \$1.50. 1 Weeding Hoe 50 cents. 1 mattock \$1.00. 1 large Bible \$6.00. 6 Chairs \$3. making in all \$27. The Declarant is by occupation a farmer. Was wounded in the Battle of Monmouth by a grape shot in the leg of no serious consequence [see endnote]. His wife is aged 53 years. He has been for fifteen years declining greatly in his bodily powers. He has five children, The oldest a son named Robert 20 years of age, the second a son William by name about 14 years of age, the other three are daughters aged 17 the oldest named Mary, Agnes aged 15 years, Jennett aged 13 years – They are as healthy as Common
Signed Peter Brandon

State of Kentucky

I James Ferguson of Bullitt County do hereby state, declare and Depose that I contracted an acquaintance with Peter Brandon while in the Army of the United States during the Revolutionary War. that I believe the said Brandon served several years during the war some times were together & some time apart but we were in the Battle of Monmouth on the 28th day of June 1778. He Brandon was on that day in the Troop of Horse Commanded by Capt. Slough in General Scotts [Charles Scott's] brigade. He Brandon belonged to the 9th Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colo. John Gibson. This deponent does not positively know how many years the said Peter Brandon served but is confident he served more than nine months He has served with s'd. Brandon at different times during several years in detachments. He has every Reason to believe that said Brandon served six years during the Revolutionary War. Witness my hand this 10th day of August 1820 [signed] James Ferguson

Being called on by Peter Brandon, late a Soldier in the 7th [sic] Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, Commanded by Col. John Gibson, to identify him, and to state my knowledge of his services &ca do declare as follows viz – That the 8th Penn'a Regiment, to which I was attached, and the 13th afterwards 7th Virginia Regiments having been raised in the Western Country, were orded by Gen'l. Washington from the main army to Pittsburg, or Fort Pitt, in the year 1778 to protect the frontier settlements, at that period greatly harrassed by the Indians aided by the British Troops from Detroit. that both Regiments remained in the Western Country until peace was concluded in the year 1783. That from both Regiments being stationed as long in the same place Fort Pitt, and its vicinity, I became acquainted with almost every soldier in both Regiments. That I was well acquainted with the said Peter Bandon, or Brannon, while in said Regiment, and believe he was discharged at Fort Pitt, in the year 1783 as I knew him for several years afterwards as a Citizen of Pittsburg – and I know & Certify that he is the identical Peter Brandon which he represents himself to be.

At present the said Brandon resides a considerable distance from this place [Fayette County KY]. I can only state from his appearance (being that of poverty he stands in need of aid from his County. He is old & infirm and sustained during the period I was acquainted with him the reputation of a good soldier. Given under my hand this 6th day of September 1821. James Morrison

NOTE: Capt. John Neville commanded an Independent Virginia Frontier company raised in Winchester in July 1775. It arrived at Fort Pitt on 11 Sep. The company does not appear to have been under the

command of a Col. Russell, however, and it did not serve at the Battle of Monmouth NJ. The most likely account of Brandon's service is that sometime before the Battle of Monmouth he was transferred to the 13th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col. William Russell. On 14 Sep 1778 the 13th was renumbered the 9th Virginia Reg. and sent to Fort Pitt.