

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Low Brown S5299

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Virginia }
Tazwell [sic: Tazewell] }
County }

On this 25th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Circuit Superior Court of law and chancery for the county of Tazwell aforesaid Low Brown a resident of the said county of Tazwell and State of Virginia aged seventy six 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th. 1832. That he enlisted in the Illinois regiment of the Army of the United States in the year 1779 with Capt. Jesse Evans [S15826], and served in the said Illinois regiment under the following named officers Captain [sic: Colonel] George Rogers Clark [VAS269], Lieutenant Colo. John Montgomery [R16522], in the company of Captain Jesse Evans, that he remained in the service as an enlisted soldier for the term of eighteen months in the revolutionary war, and that he left the service on the first day of August in the year 1780 as appears from a discharge of that date, which is produced here in court and inspected, and believed to be genuine, by which it appears to be under the hand of Lieutenant Colo. John Montgomery. certifying that his term of enlistment, which was eighteen months had expired at that time; that at the time of his enlistment he was a resident of the county of Montgomery in the State of Virginia, and enlisted in said county; that he marched through the country at present the state of Tennessee and Kentucky; by water from the mouth of Big Creek, which empties into Halsten [sic: Holston River] to the mouth of Tennessee river, and from there to Kaskaskia in Illinois; That he went from there to the Opost [Fort Sackville at Vincennes, captured 25 Feb 1779] on the Wabash, from there to the Iron Banks on the Mississippi [near Wickliffe KY], and then he was discharged

That previous to the above enlistment in the spring of 1774 while he was a citizen of Montgomery he enlisted under Lieut. John Draper, that he served in Capt. Russell company under Colo. Christie [sic: William Christian], and General Andrew Lewis, that he was marched from Montgomery to the big levels of Greenbriar [sic: at present Lewisburg WV on Greenbrier River], and then met Ge'l. Lewis army, and from there to the mouth of Elk on the Kennawha [sic: Kanawha River near present Charleston WV] and remained there a few days until canoes were made to transport the provisions down the river, and we then marched down the river to the point and that he was then in the battle called the Shawnee battle [sic: Battle of Point Pleasant] which was fought on the 10 day of October 1774. from there he was marched towards the Shawnee towns and met with Governor Dunmore near the towns, and was by his order dismissed some time in the month of November 1774. but received no discharge.

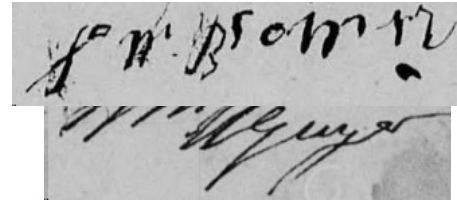
That some time between the two terms of enlistment above stated, he was, by the order of Colo. [William] Preston to Capt. James Moore, appointed by said Capt. Moore an Indian Spy. and that he acted as such for two years on the waters of Bluestone, Clinch, and New river, and was in company with William McGuire [S5746], David English [sic: David Ingles], and Joseph Turner. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state; sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

Low hisXmark Brown

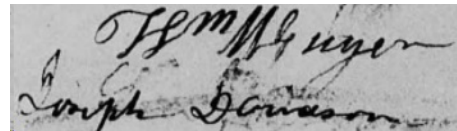
State of Virginia }
Tazwell County }

This 25th day of September 1832 William McGuire a witness aged seventy five years personally appeared in open court and after being duly sworn state that he was in company with Low Brown, the above applicant for a pension, while he was an Indian Spy, and that what the said Brown has stated relative thereto he believes to be true, that he believes him to be of the age of seventy six years as he has stated, and that it is generally believed and he has never heard it doubted, that the said Low Brown is a

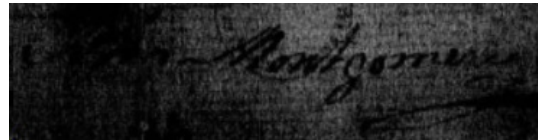
revolutionary soldier, and he concurs fully in that opinion and that he is regarded in the country where he lives as a man of truth sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforsaid



We William McGuire & Joseph Davidson [R2690] residing in the county of Tazwell and state of Virginia hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Low Brown who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be seventy six years of age; that he is reputed and believed in the neighbourhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we concur in that opinion



this May Certify that Low Brown Served as a soldier in Capt Een's Cumpany in the Illinois Redgmt the term of his inlistment it Being Eighteen Months and now is Reguly discharged Geven under my hand the first of August 1780 John Montgomery



[The following is from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#). A page of the Commissioner's report on the petition for bounty land by Low Brown is misfiled with the papers of Joseph Brown VAS2708. The report is not legible enough for transcription.]

State of Virginia } to wit:
Tazewell County }

Before me, Ambrose Hall, one of the acting justices of the peace in and for the said County of Tazewell, personally appeared William Hall, of said County, and made oath in due form of law, that he is well acquainted with Low Brown, a resident of the same County of Tazewell; that he has been so acquainted with him for the space of about sixty years; that he knows, of his own personal knowledge, that the said Low Brown is the identical Low Brown, who served as a private in the Illinois Regiment in the war of the Revolution they having been together in the same service.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 17th day of June in the year 1834./ Ambrose Hall J.P



NOTE: On 29 April 1834 Low Brown applied for his pension certificate, stating that he had never received one. He signed as shown: