Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Floyd John VA S8493 Transcribed by Frederick Weyler 17Aug2013

[p2] Ohio Wheeling Virginia certificate 26.140 John Floyd of Washington County Ohio Private under Captain Westile [?] Virginia militia 6 months Issued 15Mar1834 @ \$20/annum

{p4] State of Ohio
Washington County

On this twenty seventh day of May 1833 personally appeared in open court before the judges of the Court of Common Pleas held within and for the county aforesaid and now sitting, John Floyd, a resident of Lawrence Township in the County of Washington and State of Ohio, now aged eighty 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officials and served herein stated:

In the spring of the year 1780. He then residing near the Shenandoah in Berkeley County, Virginia. Was drafted as a private in the Virginia militia to perform a three months tour of duty and marched from thence under the command of Captain William Westell to Fauquier Court House and after remaining there a week proceeded to Richmond with three other companies of militia from Eastern Virginia. After being in Richmond about a week he was assigned to drive a wagon and continued to serve in the capacity of wagoner until the end of his tour of duty, where the company to which he had belonged having returned home. He followed and there received a discharge from Captain Westell.

In the month of September 1781 he was again drafted to serve another tour of three months and marched under the command of Captain William McCormick by way of Wilmington and Fredericksburgh to Richmond where they were attached to the main army then under the command of General Washington. After remaining at Richmond a few days, the British troops under the command of General Cornwallis approached that place, whereupon he was marched to Bowling Green and there being joined to the command of General Wayne, the troops to which he belonged proceeded from thence to the vicinity of York Town and were encamped there for several weeks having frequent skirmishes with the British troops who then occupied York Town. Upon the surrender of Cornwallis and the army under his command, he was in the line which was formed and through which the British troops passed to the command

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[p5] to stack their arms. On the day after the capitulation he was ordered to accompany (as guard) a portion of the British troops who were sent to Frederick Town in the state of Maryland He proceeded in the performance of that duty a short distance above Leesburg, Loudon County, Virginia, when the time having expired for which he was drafted he was regularly discharged by Captain McCormick.

[answers to interrogatories]

- 1-Near Annapolis in the state of Maryland in the year 1747.
- 2-There is a record of my age in a family bible which belonged to my father and is now in possession of my brother who resides near Morgantown, Virginia.
- 3-When called into service I lived in Berekely County Virginia and moved from there about a year after the close of the Revolutionary War. Since I have lived several years near Hagerstown Maryland. About two years near Harpers Ferry. About 10 years on Cheat River. A short time near Gover Pennsylvania. About 15 years in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania, and about 14 years last past in Washington County in the state of Ohio.
- 4- I was drafted.
- 5- On the first tour there was no continental troops where I served and I do not recollect the names of the militia officers except the captain to whose company I belonged. On the second tour of duty after our arrival at Richmond, General Washington
- [p6] had the command of the main army. After our arrival near Yorktown, General Lafayette and General Wayne had each a command. The Pennsylvania troops were stationed the nearest to us at Yorktown. The Maryland troops were across the river from where we lay.
- 6- I have received two. The first was given by Captain Westell. The second by Captain McCormick both of which were destroyed by fire together with my house and sundry other property when I lived on Cheat River.

7 Samuel Dye, Esq.

He hereby relinquishes every claim 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.

Attest: Geo. Dunlevy, clerk

John Floyd x his mark

[supporting county statements and certification:

Samuel Dye, neighbor

Amos Dye, neighbor

George Dunlevy, clerk]

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Monongalia County

On this 20th day of November 1840 before the subscriber a justice of the peace for the said county of Monongalia personally appeared John Floyd who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captains William Westel & William McCormick, regiment and colonel not recollected, in the service of the United States. That his name was placed on the pension roll of the state of Ohio from when he has lately removed. That he now resides in the state of Virginia where he intends to remain and whishes his pension to be there payable in the future. The following are his reasons for removing from the state of Ohio to the state of Virginia. Having lately lost his wife and being reduced to a state of indigence and not being able to labour by reason of old age and infirmity he accepted the friendly invitation of a brother and friends living in the state of Virginia who promised to aid in supporting him so long as he lived.

Sworn and subscribed to before me David Musgrave JP.

The day and year aforesaid

John Floyd x his mark

Attest John Musgrave Thomas P Ray, clerk [p16] Belmont County Ohio 01Oct1832, Rachel Nicholson before Joseph Moore, JP deposed that John Floyd left home for military service and was known in the neighborhood to have been at the surrender of Cornwallis. Cert: Peter Tallman, clerk.

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Virginia, Monongalia County, to wit:

Benjamin Satterfield personally appeared before me Robert McGee a justice of the peace for the said county and made oath that he was acquainted with John Floyd from childhood and during the continental war he was called out in the militia from the county of Berkeley in Virginia under the command of Captain William Westel. He marched from Berkeley to Petersburgh in Virginia. From thence to Albemarle in Virginia. He also recollects that he also marched to Fauquier court house. After being absent some three or four months he returned home and was called the second time and was in the battle when Cornwallis was taken and he was absent three or four months the second time.

Benjamin Satterfield

Sworn before me and subscribed to on the 19 day of June 1833.

Robert McGee, a justice of the peace For Monongalia County Virginia

[p17] Va. Monongalia County to wit:

Michael Floyd appeared before me Robt McKee a justice of the peace for the said county and made oath that he was well acquainted with the foregoing facts stated by Benjamin Satterfield and knows the same to be true but knows nothing more. Michael Floyd x his mark Given under my hand this 19 day of June 1833.

Sworn before me Robert McGee

A justice of the peace for the said county in Va.

s/ Robt McGee

Cert: Thomas P Ray, clerk

[p19 certification of the Belmont County Ohio 13Jan1834 deposition of Jane Nicholson by Joseph Moore, JP and William Tallman, deputy clerk, Michael Sanford, county seal] [p20 certification of the Monongalia and Belmont county documents by Geo. Dunlevy, clerk of Washington County Ohio.