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Pension application of William Pyron S8675

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State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions August Term 1832

On this 1st day of September 1832 personally appeared before the justices of the Court of Pleas and quarter sessions opened and held for the said County of Mecklenburg and State aforesaid and now sitting William Pyron a resident of said County aged 76 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 was born in the year 1756 in the State of Virginia in either Hanover or Henrico [County] which he does not recollect -- that he has a memorandum of his age taken from the record of his father -- that he came to North Carolina when he was a child his age then he does not know and settled then in the County of Orange -- and remained there until the revolutionary war -- that he first entered the service under the command of Captain Moore [Robert Moore] -- That Archibald Little [sic, Archibald Lytle] was the Colonel and Dison [sic, Henry Dixon] was the Major -- that he was marched into the State of Virginia and returned back -- after the superior officers had received orders so to do -- that this was about the year 1778 -- that he had enlisted for 9 months -- that after his return from Virginia he was furloughed with others for a short time -- that after his furlough expired he was marched into the State of South Carolina and joined the Main Army under General Lincoln at Purrysburg -- that he was during this service of 9 months a soldier of the Continental line. -- and that he was regularly discharged by Colonel Lytle -- that his discharge is lost that he gave it to one John's Poe to sell for him -- who sold -- to whom he does not know -- that this was in 1778 as he believes = That although he entered the service for 9 months he believes that he was in service about 18 months -- That he again was again in the service of the United States as workmen in the shop of one John Woods in about 6 miles of Hillsboro = That one Colonel Thomas was the Manager -- that during this time he was engaged in making wagons for the Army of the United States -- that this service was performed in the public shops during the time he was exempted from service -- which was 3 years after the expiration of the 9 months for which he had previously enlisted -- that where he first entered the service in the 9 months service -- he was commanded by the officers before mentioned -- but afterwards he was under the command of Major Nelson and Marlbee [sic, Malmedy] was Colonel -- that the latter named gentlemen was a Frenchman and that he was in the Battle of Stono -- that the whole of the time as believes that he was engaged in the revolution was about 18 months -- and that he is allowed for the time he worked in the public shops he was during the revolutionary war engaged in said service about 24 months -- that he has no documentary evidence of his services as above mentioned -- that he refers to the certificate of John Sloan and David Kerr as to his character for

truth that he knows no one by whom he can prove his services but refers to the Rolls filed with the war department --

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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 and that he came to this County in the year 1792 where he has lived ever since.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ William Pyron, X his mark

[John Sloan and David Kerr gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County: on this first day of April 1837 personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the peace, for the County of Mecklenburg, in the State aforesaid, William Pyron, a resident of the County of Mecklenburg & state aforesaid, aged 80 years, who being first duly sworn on the holy Bible, doth on his oath make the following statement or Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he was born in the year 1757 in the State of Virginia, either in the County of Hanover or Henrico, which he does not remember, as he was removed from there by his parents and a child, and was brought to North Carolina from Virginia and end to the County of Caswell, now called, where he remained until the Revolutionary War; That he has a Record of his age taken from the record kept by his father. That in the Spring of the year 1778 in the County of Caswell, he volunteered as a private soldier and was in the company commanded by Captain Robert Moore, (Dixon was the Major, and Lytle was the Colonel) for the term of 9 months: that he was immediately marched into the State of Virginia to Halifax old Court House, expecting to go to the North, but after remaining there some 2 or 3 weeks, by orders they were marched back again to the County of Caswell, North Carolina, to Moons Creek: was then furloughed. In a short time thereafter he was called into Service, and marched through Salisbury and Charlotte into the State of South Carolina; that he was encamped at the Ten Mile Spring [sic, ten mile house], North of Charleston, during the Christmas Holidays of the same year he entered the service. From there he was marched to Purrysburg, and joined the Main Army, under the Command of General Lincoln. From Purrysburg he was marched to near Augusta from thence he was marched towards the City of Charleston though crossing the River and marched through the State of Georgia some distance and crossed back again the Savannah River; that he encamped 7 miles (he thinks from Stono River where the Battle was fought. That he was not in the Battle of Stono, but was within hearing. That after the Battle and while the Army was encamped he lost the use of his person so much so that he was unable to walk. That he was sent together with several others who were sick to the Hospital in Charleston South Carolina. That there he removed recovered the use of himself, and was furloughed on by General Lincoln. That was in July, he believes; the weather very hot, and the Country being sickly; that this was in July 1779. And he well remembers the grand Parade in the Army on the 4th of July that year, while encamped near the Stono River. That some time after his return home he was discharged in writing by Colonel Lytle. That the time, the month, he was ordered into service he cannot with certainty tell, but the weather was cold, That a portion of the soldiers waded through Haw River, that he waded the widow River, That the water was cold. That on their march South, the Army encamped a few days in Salisbury & Charlotte North Carolina each, on our march South. That he was not less than 2 months in service when he went to Halifax in Virginia in the spring of 1778 but how much longer he cannot say with certainty. That he put his discharge in the hands of one Pogue, to draw the amount of money coming to him for depreciation in the money with which he had been paid

off. That he paid him \$10 & paid one half for getting it. That he never afterwards received his discharge. That it was not less than 8 months from the time he entered actual service to proceed to South Carolina, until he was furloughed in the City of Charleston. That he knows of no one by whom he can prove his services, except one James Sandford, who now he understands resides in Pickens District South Carolina. That he was the Sergeant of the company in which he was.

He hereby relinquishes all 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 of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Eli Stewart, JP

S/ W. W. Pyron, W his mark

[Azariah Coburn and David Simpson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 132 [sic]: On September 27, 1852 in Union County North Carolina Mrs. Jane Cowell filed a document in which she states that she is the daughter of William Pyron.]

[Facts in file: William Pyron died June 27, 1850 leaving the following children: Mary Helms, Susan Helms, Emilla Secrist, and Jane Cowell.]

[fn p. 352 (sic)]

State of South Carolina Pickens District: On the 26th day of July A.D. 1837

Personally appeared before me Charles McClure one of the Justices of the Quorum in and for the District aforesaid; James Sanford¹ worth a citizen of said District, and made oath in due form of Law and on oath saith that he knew William Pyron, of North Carolina, and the County now of Mecklenburg, in the Revolutionary War. That he was a private soldier in the 9 months service in Revolutionary War, that he was in the service with him in the State of South Carolina. That he was a good soldier, That Henry Dixon was the Major. That he was with him at Purrysburg: That he knows he was in service And believes that he served 9 months under Captain Goodwin and General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] was the commander in chief and the said James Sandford was orderly Sergeant in the company that the said Pyron served in and the company was raised in Caswell County North Carolina.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and date above written.

Before me

S/ Charles McClure, JQ

S/ James Sandford, X his mark

¹ FPA R9193