Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Q. Dabney W10311

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John Q Dabney of Scott Co Ky In the 69th year of his life states – That he served in the war of the Revolution as a Militia man in as near as he can recollect in the year 1779. was in the Battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 March 1781] command by Captain Jacob Moon and Leiut Rice – he cannot recollect the number of the Regiment But it was commanded by Colo. Charles Lynch – detached to Colo [William] Washingtons Infantry and fought on the right wing of the US army – where Capt Moon fell together with Capt. Jones and Capt. Helms he can not enter into a minute detail of all the minutia of the battle but got an honorable discharge for one tour and can not now recollect from whome — And states that in the same year he he served another tour under the command of Capt Tho. Leftwitch [sic: Thomas Leftwich] – (the subalterns not recollected) But was not in any Battle or skirmish. But scouted from Richmond to the Maurbin hills [sic: Malvern Hill 15 mi SE of Richmond] and from thence to Hanover Town on the Pamonkey river [sic: Pamunkey River] for which he obtained an honbl discharge The next and last Tour was the siege and taking of Corn Wallace at Little york [sic: Cornwallis at Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781] under the command of Capt Charles Calloway where he endured sore fatigue and many dangers – had been on duty for 48 hours without relief and obtained an honbl discharge Each tour he served was three months.

Sworn to in open Court Dec 17 1832

John Q Dabney

NOTES:

Capt. Jacob Moon, Lt. Benjamin Rice, Col. Charles Lynch, and Capt. Charles Callaway were all from Bedford County VA, where Dabney also presumably lived during the Revolutionary War.

James Baber (pension application W3754) stated that Dabney was his substitute for three months, including the Siege at Yorktown.

On 11 June 1856 in Daviess County KY Sarah Dabney, 56, applied for a pension stating that she became the second wife of John Q. Dabney on 7 June 1818 in Fayette County KY, and that he died 7 June 1832. This date of death is probably incorrect, as his pension was paid till 4 March 1833. On 10 Jan 1890 in Pike County IL, Sarah Dabney, 96, applied for bounty land and gave her name before the marriage to Dabney as Sarah Hartman. She died 5 April 1894.