

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Barr W11217

Patsy Hand PA

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State of Kentucky

Franklin County Sct

On this 14th day of August 1833 personally appeared before James Shannon a Justice of the peace in & for said County, John Barr, a resident of Shelby County Kentucky aged seventy seven years, who being first duly sworn, according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the acts of Congress passed the 27th of May 1828

That in the year 1777 a short time before the battles of Brandy Wine & German Town [Brandywine 11 Sep 1777 and Germantown 4 Oct 1777], this affiant enlisted as a regular Soldier, in the war of the revolution for and during the war, under Captain George Lee, and served in said company under Lieutenant Hawkins & Ensign Draper, in the 3rd Pennsylvania Riment, Commanded by Col. Lewis, that some nine or ten months Capt Lee was promoted to Major & soon promoted to Col, that Hawkins was made Captain in the place of Lee pomoted & Draper Leuit of said Company, that some time about sixteen months after he went into said Lee's, that Company was broke up, and he was placed under the Command of Captain ~~George~~ Porter, Leut Massie, & Ensign Hawkins, still a member of the 3rd Pennsylvania Riment, under the command of Col Lewis, the aforesaid Riment was arranged to the Brigade commaned by Anthony Wayne, Gen'l. That ten days after he enlisted as a regular Soldier as aforesaid, he was appointed a duty Sergent, in said Company and Continued to act in that Capacity during the war, that he was during his time of Service he was in the battles of German Town Brandywine, the Cow Penns [sic: Cowpens SC, 7 Jan 1781], & lastly at the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis in oct 1781 [at Yorktown VA, 19 Oct 1781]. That he served as a Sergent in the companies aforesaid untill the close of the war in June 1783 some year or two after the battle of Little York, and was discharged in June 1783 by Captain Porter, with honor, having served out faithfully his time of enlistment, his discharge he has lost or mislaid.

He hereby relinquishes all claim to a pension or annuity, but the present and declares his name is not on the Pension roll of any agency in any of the United States. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

John hisXmark Barr

NOTES:

On 2 May 1859 "Polly Hand," 69, of Spencer County KY, applied for a pension stating that as Polly Lacefield she was married by a preacher named John Taylor about 40 years previously in Mercer County KY to John Barr, who died in Mercer County on or about 11 Aug 1844 or 1845. She then married Uriah Hand in Spencer County, who died on 27 July 1857. In another document she stated that the name "Polly" was an error, and that her name was actually Patsy Hand. She referred to her brother-in-law, a Mr Philips, deceased. A letter in the file states that "Mr Hand was a noted man being about 98 years old." Catherine Lawson, 37, stated that she was the daughter of John Barr, and William Morris, 27, stated that his mother was the sister of Patsy Hand.

On 15 Oct 1859 Patsy Hand also applied for bounty land and stated that "John Barr was in the Military Service of the United States in War of 1812."