

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Whitehead (Whitehad) W25999 Barbara fn41VA
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State of Indiana County of Putnam: SS

On this 22nd day of April 1833 personally appeared before the president judge and associate judges of the Circuit Court in said County, the same being within the seventh judicial Circuit of the said State of Indiana, Robert Whitehead, a resident of said County, in the said State, aged seventy-one years who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision May by the Act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States, in the year 1779 under Captain Bailey, and served in what was called the Illinois Regiment as he thinks of the Virginia line under the following named officers – He served under General George Rogers Clark, – John Montgomery being Colonel of the Regiment, – __ McCarty was a Major in said Regiment. He entered the service on Holston River in what he believes is now a part of Tennessee, then the Western part of North Carolina. His first enlistment was for one year which expired in the month of October 1780. He then again entered the service in the same Regiment for two years, and his time for this enlistment ended in October 1782, and he was discharged at that time and received a discharge in writing by Major Wales as he thinks. His discharge he transferred shortly after to an individual to whom he sold his right to the wages which were due to him for his services, in the same is now beyond his control, as he does not know where that individual lives if he be living – his name was Armstrong. The services of this applicant were rendered in what is now called Illinois, Indiana, at Kaskaskia & then sends and at the falls of Ohio. He was not engaged in any battle, but was in several skirmishes. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or an 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 and year aforesaid.

S/ Robert Whitehead

and year aforesaid.
Robert Whitehead

[fn p. 8: On June 11, 1855 in Putnam County Indiana, Barbary Whitehead, 73, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Robert Whitehead, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him July 21st, 1845 in Putnam County Indiana; that they were married by the Reverend Alexander S Farrow; that her name prior to her marriage was Barbary Slavens; that her husband died February 20th, 1852 and that she remains his widow.

She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the militia. Veteran's widow was pensioned for a like amount commencing February 3rd, 1853.]