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Pension Application of John Barron W2987

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[Punctuation partly corrected.]

State of Kentucky

Pulaski County Court Sct.

On this 16th day of June 1834, personally appeared in open Court before the County Court for Pulaski County, State of Kentucky now sitting as a Court John Barron a resident Citizen of Pulaski County, State of Kentucky, aged Eighty four 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 provision of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. that while a resident of Montgomery County State of Virginia according to his present recollection in the month of June 1776 he according to his present belief volunteered for the Term of Six months in the Company of Captain John Montgomery, Michael Dougherty Lieutenant & John Simpson ensign. after he first volunteered & entered the Service he was stationed at Fort Chisel in said County [sic: Fort Chiswell now in Wythe County] to Guard the public property deposited there. after remaing in service at said Fort about two months he together with the rest of the Company to which he belonged was marched to the Long Island of Holstien River [sic: Long Island of Holston River at present Kingsport TN], and there joined the army under the command of Colo. Wm. Christy [William Christian] to whose Regiment he belonged – and who was in the command of all the forces there. after rendevouzing we were marched into the Indian Country to different Indian Towns on the Tennessee River, and burnt and destroyed all except a Town called Shota [sic: Chota; early Oct 1776]. the inhabitants of which were friendly and we were ordered to pass the Town and do them no injury he was engaged in the service above mentioned until about the first of December, when he was discharged and ordered to return home. he received no written discharge he cannot now state from long lapse of time with exact precision the exact length of time he was engaged in said service, but from the time he entered the service in the company of Captain Montgomery until he was discharged he served no less than five months. afterwards sometime in the Fall of the year 1777 the time he does not recollect still a resident of said Montgomery County State of Virginia he was drafted for the Term of one month to serve in the company of Captain Daniel Trigg to Guard the frontier and range against the Indians, and was marched to and stationed at the home of a Man by the name of Clay at the Clover Bottom, on Bluestone river, and remained there Guarding and Ranging on the frontiers until the expiration of the month when the company was discharged from service by Colo. [James] Robertson. he was in service one month. he did not receive a discharge in writing. afterwards still a resident of said county in the month of March 1778 he was drafted for one month to serve in the Company of Captain John Draper against the Indians. the Company rendevouzed at Cumptons [Compton's?] Fort on Blue stone River and were stationed there to Guard the frontier against the Indians. he remained in service one month and was discharged. he received no discharge in writing. afterwards in the month of December 1780 while a resident of Washington County East Tennessee, a call was made for Soldiers to serve against the Indians. he volunteered in the company of Captain Ezekiel Smith, belonged to the Regiment of Colo. [John] Sevier. after rendevouzing the Regiment was marched to an Indian Town on the Tennessee River and destroyed it. was then marched to the mouth of Tellico at which place a white man by the name of Elliot was killed by an Indian who was afterwards killed by the whites from the mouth of Tellico he was marched over on the Hiwasse [sic: Hiwassee] River and burnt some of the Indian homes. was then marched down the River to a Town called Chestowee and from thence marched back to the mouth of Tellico and was there discharged and from thence returned home. he volunteered for no specified period but to serve as long as

the officers thought proper to continue him in service he was engaged in the service not less than one month. he received no discharge in writing he has no Documentary Evidence whatever of his services. he can prove by Isaac Shepherd a resident of the County of Wayne State of Kentucky who he will produce in open Court a credible witness a portion of the Services he rendered

He is known to Joseph M James a Clergyman residing in his present neighbourhood and to Gen'l. John Griffin residing in his present neighbourhood who can testify to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

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 or Territory

He was born in Tolbert [sic: Talbot] County State of Maryland the 3^d day of October 1749.

He has had until lately a Record of his age in a Bible given him by his Father which Record he believes to be correct, which Bible from use & age is almost entirely destroyed.

He was living when called into the service in the County stated in his declaration

after the Revolutionary war he lived in Washington County East Tennessee about Seven years he then moved to Franlin [sic: Franklin] County State of Georgia and lived about three years. He then moved back to Washington County East Tennessee where he lived almost three years and in the year 1798 he moved to and settled on Buckbrak now Pulaski County, on the same place he now lives, and upon which he has ever since continued to reside, and in which he now lives

He was called into the service as stated in his Declaration.

He has stated the names of the officers who were with the troops where he served – and the general circumstances of the service.

Ne never Received a discharge for his Terms of Service.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid [signed] John Barron

I Isaac Shepherd a resident citizen of the County of Wayne, State of Kentucky, aged upwards of Seventy two years, who being first duly sworn, according to law in open Court, doth on oath Declare that I am well acquainted with John Barron who has subscribed and sworn to the above Declaration that he knew the said John Barron well during the period of the Revolutionary War. during the early part of the war he lived a near neighbour to the said John Barron and does of his own personal knowledge know, that the said John Barron was engaged in the Service at Fort Chizel he saw him there. and he knows that the said Barron was absent from home, and the said Isaac Shepherd further states, that he understood from the family of said Barron, and it was understood in the neighbourhood that the said Barron served against the Indians under Colo. Christy. he returned home from the service when the rest of Christy Regiment returned home, as he now thinks about the first December of the year 1776. he saw the said Barron at Fort Chizle in the month of June of said year while engaged in said Service

The said Isaac Shepherd further states, that in the month of march in the year 1778 he as well as Barron was drafted to serve against the Indians one month in the company of Captain John Draper and that the company was stationed at Cumptons Fort on Blue Stone River and he does know that the said Barron served one month at said place.

he believes that the said Barron is of the age he states

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid [signed] Isaac Shepperd

NOTE: On 20 June 1842 Susanna Barron, age 80 on 17 Sep 1842, applied for a pension stating that on 12 April 1781 in what was then Washington County NC, now Tennessee, she married John Barron, who died on 14 March 1841. She stated that there had been a record of the marriage in an old Bible that was given to their eldest son, James Barron, but which had since been destroyed. On 18 Dec 1843 James Barron, about 52 years old, certified that the marriage had been recorded by his father in a Bible.