

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Anderson W4628

Euphemia

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The State of Ohio Butler County SS

Court of Common Pleas July term 1832

On this 30th day of July in the year of our Lord 1832, personally appeared in open court before the judges of the court of Common Pleas for Butler County now in session Isaac Anderson a resident of Ross Township in Butler County aforesaid aged seventy-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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

He entered the service of the United States as an enlisted soldier for three years in the Pennsylvania State troops in the month of August 1776 in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania. That the company to which he was attached was commanded by Captain Samuel Miller & that one Matthew Jack was a Lieutenant in the same company. Said company belonged to the 8th Regiment of the Pennsylvania line & was commanded by Colonel Enos McCoy<sup>1</sup>, that one Major Wilson commanded a Battalion in said Regiment. That after the aforesaid enlistment, he remained with his company stationed at Kotanyaw[?] in Pennsylvania until after the capture of the Hessian Troops at Trenton, when his Regiment was ordered into the Jerseys. He recollects meeting the Hessian prisoners coming to Lancaster Pennsylvania on his march to New Jersey. After remaining a short time in Jersey in the 8th Regiment aforesaid 126 men were taken from his Regiment himself among them & organized into a rifle Corps under command of Captain Van Swearingen & attached to Morgan's rifle Regiment which was immediately put in motion to harass the March of the British troops from New Brunswick to Perth Amboy & in the lapse of 13 days he recollects having very severe skirmishes with the British forces every day – Soon after this Captain Morgan's Regiment was ordered to join General Gates in the North & he marched with it & fought with it in those battles which resulted in the surrender of General Burgoyne. After the surrender of Burgoyne, he marched with his Regiment to Pennsylvania, & on the 6th of December 1777 was at the battle of Edge Hill where Major Morris of his Regiment was killed & himself shot through the head stript [?] & left on the field for dead. He was however after lying 24 hours in the snow taken off the field & carried a prisoner to Philadelphia where he remained until the English Army evacuated that place, being left in the hospital after the evacuation by the British, he joined his old Regiment now commanded by Colonel Broadhead not having been exchanged he did not bear arms, but served as an express until the expiration of his three years & was honorably discharged, his certificate of which he lost with other papers when taken prisoner by the Indians in the expedition under General Clark [George Rogers Clark] as well hereafter appear. In the spring of the year 1781 he was appointed by the Legislature of Pennsylvania a

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<sup>1</sup> The War Department in its summary of this application states this officer's name as Aeneas Mackey.

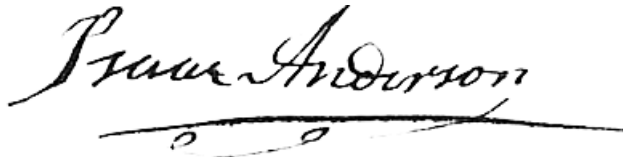
Lieutenant of Rangers for eight months & served as such in Westmoreland County ranging from Forts Boor [?] & Wallace to Hanna's Town on said frontier. His company was commanded by Captain John Sharer, on the first of August 1781, by orders to that effect he repaired with his company to Carnahan's in Pennsylvania where he joined Leughry's [Archibald Lochry's] Regiment which was here ordered to descended the Ohio with General Clark on his expedition against the Western Indian tribes. Although but a Lieutenant he here commanded a company & had for his Ensign Patrick Hunter, – Lochry's Regiment into sending the Ohio was attacked<sup>2</sup> 11 miles below the mouth of the Great Miami River & he with many others was taken prisoner. The Indians in this action were [indecipherable word] about 300 strong & were commanded by the famous Mohawk Chief Brandt [Joseph Brant]. He was taken by Brandt to Detroit & given up to the British officer commanding at that point whose name he thinks was Aeron Schyler Depeyster [Major Arent Schuyler DePeyster]. Here after remaining some time he was permitted to go to Québec in order if possible to be exchanged, for this purpose he set out with others from Detroit & reached Montréal on the 26 November 1781 when they were compelled to remain until May 1782 when himself & another scaled the pickets in which they were confined & made their escape, after traveling 12 days through unfrequented roads almost famished & naked they reached the borders of Vermont & from thence he returned to his old residence in Pennsylvania in the summer of 1782. The commission which he held as Lieutenant was lost with his first discharge when he was taken prisoner by the party under Brandt on the Ohio. This applicant states that he knows of no person living who can state any of the particulars of his service more than may be found in the deposition of Hugh Steers<sup>3</sup> marked (A) [one or more indecipherable words] herewith. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Sworn & subscribed in open Court 30th of July 1833

S/ John Reily Clk

S/ Isaac Anderson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Isaac Anderson". The signature is written in dark ink and is underlined with a single horizontal stroke.

[Francis Monfort, a clergyman, and James McBride gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 21]

State of Kentucky Boone County: Sct.

This day personally appeared before me Robert S Chambers the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County, Hugh Steers of lawful age who after being duly sworn deposed and saith, that he knew Isaac Anderson as a Lieutenant in the service of the State of the Pennsylvania in the year 1781 under Colonel Laugherry [Archibald Lochry] and that he the said Isaac Anderson Rendezvoused his company in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania on the first day of August 1781 and marched from thence to join the Army on the N. W. of the Ohio commanded by General Clark on the 3rd day of August 1781. And this deponent further states that he himself was along as a volunteer in the company of Volunteers commanded by Robert Orr, and knew the aforesaid Isaac Anderson to be the identical man above referred to, And

<sup>2</sup> There is an excellent account of Lochry's Defeat posted at <http://boards.ancestry.com/topics.Military.amerrev.general/803/mb.ashx>

<sup>3</sup> FPA W6180

further this deponent states that from the place of Rendezvoused they descended the Ohio River to join General Clark until the 24th day of August 1781, at which time they were defeated by the Indians about 11 miles below the mouth of the Big Miami, and the said Anderson taken prisoner.

S/ Hugh Steers, X his mark

[fn p. 22]

The State of Ohio Butler County SS

Be it known that before me William Hunter a Justice duly assigned to keep the peace in the County aforesaid personally appeared Isaac Anderson Esquire herein before named who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that during the War of the Revolution [fn p. 26] in the month of August 1776 he enlisted as a soldier in the State Troops of Pennsylvania for the term of 3 years has in his declaration to which this is attached is more fully expressed and that he entered in the Army for the said term of 3 years in conformity to his first enlistment.

And that afterwards about the middle of March 1781 he was appointed a Lieutenant in a company of Rangers by the Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania for the term of eight months received his commission from the Governor of Pennsylvania entered into the service as a Lieutenant and continued in the service as a Ranger at Forts Wallace Barr [?] & Hanna's Town on the frontier of Westmoreland County from the receiving of his commission until the first of August 1781 at which time he joined the Regiment then under the command of Colonel Lochry with his company and descended the Ohio River under the command of said Colonel Lochry and remained under his command until the 24th day of August 1781 at which time Colonel Lochry was killed & his Regiment defeated by the Indians about 11 miles below the Great Miami River and the deponent with others taken prisoners by the Indians – taken to Detroit where he was kept about one month – they were then sent to Montréal and there detained Prisoners of war until the 26 day of May 1782 at which time deponent scaled the pickets and returned to the United States passing through the state of Vermont and passing through Philadelphia reached his former [fn p. 23] residence in Westmoreland County on the 16th day of July 1782.

At the time deponent was in the service as herein before stated the soldier's pay was \$8 per month, Sergeant \$12, Ensign \$24, Lieutenant \$30 and a Captain \$40 per month.

Sworn & subscribed before me the 11th day of December 1832

S/ William Hunter, JP

S/ Isaac Anderson

[fn p. 7: On March 3, 1840 in Butler County Ohio, Euphemia Anderson, 69, a resident of Ross Township in Butler County, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Isaac Anderson, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him November 15, 1788; that her husband died December 18, 1839; and that she remains his widow. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[fn p. 9: family record:

Isaac and Euphemia Anderson married November the 15th, 1788 and Robert Anderson born September the 14th, 1789

Jean Anderson born Agt. ye 6th 1791

Susana Anderson born June the 30th 1793

Peggy Anderson born January the 17th 1795

Fergus Anderson born June ye 14th 1797

Isaac Anderson born Agt. ye 29th 1799

Euphemia Anderson born Aprl. 18<sup>th</sup> 1802 and died the 30th of June 1803  
Jos. Anderson [Joseph Anderson] born July 10th 1804  
Wm Anderson [William Anderson] born September 26 1808

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$222.32 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private and Lieutenant in the Pennsylvania State Troops.]