

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Brenton S16059

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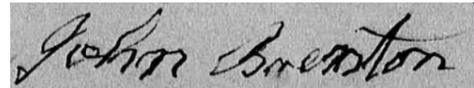
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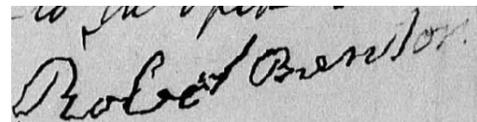
On this 23^d day of October in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court before John F. Ross president Judge of the circuit Court of Clark County in the State aforesaid and John Carr and Samuel Prather his associates now sitting John Brenton a resident of said County of Clark and State aforesaid aged seventy 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

That he entered the service of the United States in Monongahala County in the State of Pennsylvania [sic: see endnote] under the following named officers – and served as herein stated. He entered the service as a substitute for John Baldwin in the year 1778 under the command of General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh BLWt1549-850] at Pittsburgh in the State of Pennsylvania and marched from that place through the Indians Country now called the State of Ohio to a place called Tuscarawas, where he assisted in erecting a fort [Fort Laurens at present Bolivar, 10 Nov 1778 - Jan 1779] His Captain's name was Andrew Swearingin [sic: Andrew Swearingen] his Lieutenants name was Smith, and his Ensign's name was Alexander. From this place he was marched back to Fort McIntosh on the Ohio River [at present Beaver PA] where he was regularly discharged after having served four months. That he again entered the service of the United States under General George Rodgers Clark [sic: George Rogers Clark VAS269] as a volunteer in the year 1782 – at Bryant's Station [Bryan's Station near Lexington] in the State of Virginia, now Kentucky and from this place he was marched with the army to the mouth of Licking [Licking Creek] where the army crossed the Ohio River and marched to the Shawnee towns on the Miami river, where they had a skirmish with the Indians. His Colonel's name was Benjamin Logon [sic: Benjamin Logan], his captain's name was Samuel Kirkhim [sic: Samuel Kirkham] the major's name not recollected. After this Skirmish with the Indians he was marched back with the army to the Ohio river and there discharged, after serving a tour of one month. He again entered the service of the United States as a drafted militia man in the year 1781 under Col. Benjamin Logan and Captain Joseph Kinkaid [sic: Joseph Kincaid] and served one month in assisting in the erection of a fort at the Falls of Ohio [at present Louisville KY] and was then discharged. He again entered the service of the United States in the year 1781 as volunteer, and served one month, under the command of Lieutenant McCulloch in guarding Joseph Linsey [Joseph Lindsay] a Commissary in the army then commanded by General George Rodgers Clark at the Falls of Ohio and was then discharged. That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except Robert Brenton [S16062] That he came to Kentucky and resided in that State from the year 1779 untill the year 1819 when he removed to Clark County in the State of Indiana – where has resided ever since. 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 – Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid



[Certified by Mordecai Cole and William Brenton (S16061).]

And the said Robert Brenton in open Court makes oath that he served with the said John Brenton, in the war of the Revolution at the said several times mentioned in his declaration, and he verily believes that the said declaration is true as stated in relation to the services of the said John Brenton in the war of the Revolution Sworn to and subscribed in open Court October 23^d 1832



NOTES:

“Monongahala County” may refer to the part of what was Monongalia County VA that later became part of either Washington or Fayette County PA.

In the [Virginia Half-Pay pension records on fold3.com](#) is a document dated 17 April 1849 certifying that John Brenton “died in the County of Clark in the state of Indiana in the year 1847 on the twenty first day of March; That he left no widow surviving him, That Polly McClaray wife of James McClaray and Ursula West are the only children left by him; That both of his said daughters are of full age and reside in the County of Clark and state of Indiana.”