Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Joseph Pugh VAS295
Transcribed by Will Graves
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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I Robert Breckenridge\(^1\) of Louisville and State of Kentucky Lieutenant in the 8\(^{th}\) Virginia Regiment upon Continental establishment, do hereby certify that in the winter of 1777-8 he the said Robert was in Winchester Virginia where he saw & became acquainted with a Lieutenant Pugh of one of the Virginia regiments upon the same establishment and as well as now recollected the said Pugh was then employed in guarding the British Prisoners at or near that place – that early in the [illegible text] year 1778 a detachment of troops which had [several illegible lines of text] said Robert belonged marched for the American Army then in containment at a place called Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania, Mr. Pugh accompanying the said detachment with the intention of joining his Regiment then with the Army – that upon the opening of the Campaign it is believed Mr. Pugh marched with the Army & continued in service until the reduction, or consolidation of the regiments, which took place in that year under a regulation of Congress, where he became what was then called a supernumerary and it is believed that when Mr. Pugh became a supernumerary was suspended & [illegible text] his command in the Army his character stood unimpeached both as an officer and a man. Given under my hand in Louisville Kentucky the 8\(^{th}\) day of February 1820

S/ R. Breckenridge

[Note: There is another affidavit in this file given by Joseph Pugh, but the image of it is too compromised to be read as posted. If anyone has transcribed this affidavit, please let us post it on this site. The signature is as follows:

\[Joseph Pugh\]

From conversing with Joseph Pugh, as to times and places we were at in the course of the revolutionary war. I have no hesitation in saying that I believe that Joseph Pugh whose affidavit is

\(^1\) Robert Breckinridge (Brackenridge) S46371
above stated was a commissioned Officer in the 14th Virginia Regt. on Continental establishment and Joined said Regiment at Camp Valley Forge in the spring of the year 1778

Although I have no distinct recollection of his Pughs person or service—in the army, having myself been removed from that regiment in that year, And further do Certify that several officers of the Virginia Line was in the spring 1778 sent home as Supernumerys.

Given under my hand Scott County Kentucky the 25th of Jany 1820

S/ A. Buford² formerly Lieut. Col. 14th Virga Regt.

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