Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Peery (Piery) vsl 8VA

John Lesley
Low Brown
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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

Tazewell County [Virginia] to wit

This day William Peery made oath before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid that the statements contained in the affidavit of Low Brown are true, that he enlisted for twelve months, that he returned to Montgomery on Furlough in Company with Captain Evans, who returned for the purpose of recruiting new men, that the said William Peery acted as an orderly Sergeant, that at the expiration of the term for which he enlisted he was discharged by Captain Evans, which discharge is now lost, that he never received a warrant for the land bounty which was promised him.

S/ William Piery

[Attested June 24, 1830 in Tazewell County Virginia]

Tazewell County to wit:

This day Low Brown made oath before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for Tazewell County that in the month of March 1779 William Peery of the County of Tazewell enlisted in a Company commanded by Captain Jesse Evans in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Montgomery, and was marched to the County of Illinois about the latter end of May 1779, were Incorporated in the Regiment commanded by Colonel George Rodgers Clark [George Rogers Clark] after the reduction of the forts of Kaskaskia and St. Vincent's [Vincennes], that the said William Peery acted as Sergeant and continued in the service until sometime in the fall of the year, when he left the Illinois and returned to the then County of Montgomery on Furlough in company with Captain Jesse Evans who returned for the purpose of enlisting more men.

1 Indexed in the State Library of VA under the name "Low Brown" in the Rejected Claims
Tazewell County to wit
This day John Lesley made oath before me that he has heard the foregoing affidavit read, and that the facts therein contained are true, that he served in the same Company with Mr. Peery and Mr. Brown.

S/ John Lesley

[The affidavits of Low Brown and John Lesley were attested in Caswell County Virginia June 24, 1830]

Tazewell County to wit
This day William Piery made oath before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for Tazewell County that in the month of March 1779 John Lesley of the County of Tazewell enlisted in a company commanded by Captain Jesse Evans in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Montgomery and was marched to the country of the Illinois, about the latter end of May 1779 and was incorporated in the Regiment commanded by Colonel George Rogers Clark after the reduction of the forts of Kaskaskia and Vincennes that the said John Lesley acted as a common soldier in the company with himself until sometime in the fall when he left the Army and returned home.

S/ William Piery

Tazewell County to wit
This day Low Brown made oath before me that he has heard the foregoing affidavit read and that the facts therein contained are true, and he further certifies that Mr. Lesley served out the time of his enlistment in company with himself.

S/ Low Brown
[both of the above affidavits were attested in Tazewell County June 24, 1830.]

Tazewell County to wit
This day John Lesley made oath before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for the aforesaid County that the statements contained in the affidavits of William Peery and Low Brown are true. That he enlisted for 12 months and served the whole time and that he never received a warrant for the bounty land which was promised him.

S/ John Lesley

[Attested June 24, 1830]

Tazewell County to wit

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This day William Piery made oath before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for Tazewell County, that in the month of March 1779 Low Brown of the County of Tazewell enlisted in a company commanded by Captain Evans in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Montgomery and was marched to the country of the Illinois about the latter end of May 1779 and was incorporated in the Regiment commanded by Colonel George Rogers Clark after the reduction of the Forts of Kaskaskia and Vincennes that he the said Low Brown acted as a common soldier in the company with himself until sometime in the fall, when he left the Army and returned home.

S/ William Peery

Tazewell County, to wit
This day John Lesley made oath before me that he has heard the foregoing affidavit read and that the facts therein contained are true and he further certifies that Low Brown served out the time of his enlistment in company with himself.
S/ John Lesley
[Attested June 24, 1830 in Tazewell County]

Tazewell County to wit
This day Low Brown made oath before me the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, that the statements contained in the affidavits of William Peery and John Lesley are true, that he enlisted for 12 months and served the whole time and that he never received a warrant for the land bounty which was promised. He further says that he has his discharge now in possession.
S/ Low Brown
[Attested June 24, 1830]