Pension Application of Isaac Clinkenbeard S15380 MD VA
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Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bourbon County & }  
State of Kentucky  Sct }  
On this day the first day of November in the year Eighteen hundred and thirty three personally appeared before me Robert Scrogin a Justice of the peace in and for the County and state aforesaid Isaac Clinkenbeard of the County and state aforesaid Aged Seventy five years the 20th of this Instant, 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 made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 That he enlisted in the service of the United states in September 1776, under Capt Andrew Hines at Hancock in the State of Maryland in the troop called the flying Camp and from Hancock he marched under Capt Hines a single company with Isaac McCracken as Lieutenant to Philadelphia, and from thence to Dobbs ferry on the North river. from thence he marched to Fort Lee the night before the Britsh Captured fort Washington [16 Nov 1776] with the intention to cross over to fort Washington, but there were met by General George Washington, who ordered that no more troops should cross over. we were then compelled to retreat to Trenton, and from thence to Philadephia where he was discharged, and returned home but has lost his discharge. that he inlisted with Capt Hines for three months and served his time out before he was discharged. that in the month of September 1777 he was a substitute and served under Colonel [Edward] Hand. that he entered the service in Berkley [sic: Berkeley] County and state of Virginia under Hand and marched to the Ohio River at Pittsburgh, under Capt Edward Lucas, from Pittsburgh he decended the river Ohio to logstown 18 miles below fort Pitt [on E side of Ohio River opposite present Aliquippa], where he and his Captains Company landed to get Breakfast, when the Indians crept up and fired on the Company and killed Joseph Champ and broke the arm of Malgus Stropes [see endnote]. And then the Indians ran off. thence Lucas and his Company, and this affiant decended the Ohio River to Wheeling and then returned to fort Pitt. the Campainge was then abandoned as to penetrating the Indian County and the army was disbanded. at the same time Lieutenant Thomas Ball was detached to decend the Ohio River to the Beach Bottom [sic: Beech Bottom] 12 miles above Wheeling, and keep the fort until the spring and that this affiant volunteered under Capt Ball for three months and decended the river with him to the fort at Beach Bottom and remained there the whole three months. he then returned home to Berkley County Virginia. that in the fall 1778 he inlisted with John Constant and joined Gen’l. [Lachlan] McIntosh and marched from Berkley County to the place where fort McIntosh was built and assisted in building said fort [at present Beaver PA, begun Sep 1778]. thence Marched to Tuskaroras and built fort Laurence [sic: Fort Laurens on Tuscaraus River near present Bolivar OH, begun 10 Nov 1778, abandoned Aug 1779] and returned to fort McIntosh for Provisions and on his return to fort Laurence, met the army returning all mad and nothing done. in the fall 1779 affiant Removed from Berkley County and state of virginia to Strodes Station in Kentucky [near present Lewisburg in Mason County]. and in August 1780 this affiant entered the service under Capt John Holder of Boonsbourough, on a Campaign Commanded by Gen’l George Rodgers Clark [sic: George Rogers Clark] and joined his part of the army at the mouth of Licken [sic: Licking Creek] opposite where Cincinatti now stands, (then an untouched wilderness. thence he marchd to Old Chillicothe on the Little Miamia [sic: Little Miami River], thence to Piqua on Mad river, where a smart scramish took place and the army lost 15 men and returned this service he thinks took up about 6 weeks. that in the fall 1782 he inlisted with John Constant and joined Gen’l. George Rodgers Clark at the mouth of Licken on the Ohio the same place as 2 years before and marched though old Chillicothe, then in Ruins thence to new Chillicothe on the big Miamia, and took
Prisoners (women and Children) and then returned to Kentucky. In the fall 1784 he also went a Campain from Kentucky under Colonel Benjamin Logan. He joined the army at Limestone (now Maysville on the Ohio river) and crossed the river and marched to old Chillicothe and through new Chillicothe, to Elliotts town, and McKees town, and took several Prisoners, say 20 or 30, chiefly women and children. He also was appointed by Captain John Constant a spy with Peter Harper (a half Indian to spy between Strodes Station and the upper blue licks and on the northern border of the settlements of Kentucky, in which service he was engaged some two or three months. He states that his whole service amounted to at least Eighteen months he thinks more but cannot be positive (all as a private soldier), that he has no documentary evidence and only his brother William Clinkenbeard by whom he can prove his being in the service. 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.

Be it known that on this day personally came before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for said County of Bourbon and State of Kentucky William Clinckenbeard and made oath according to Law, that he served with Isaac Clinckenbeard who has made the declaration on this sheet in the Campaign under McIntosh and those two under Gen’l. Geo. R. Clark. That he knows of his active service on those three tours. That he resided some distance from where Isaac Clinckenbeard did, when he entered the first service but did not serve with him yet he has no doubt that he was in the service of the United States as stated in his declaration.

Subscribed and sworn to this first day of November 1833

[Archibald Beall, James Pullen, and William Clinckenbeard certified that Isaac Clinkenbeard was unable to travel 11 miles from his home to the county seat of Paris.]

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Bourbon County Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for Bourbon County Isaac Clinckenbeard who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of the lapse of time and failure of memory he cannot swear pospositive as to the precise length of time he served in some of the tours mentioned in his declaration of the first day of November 1833 and herewith returned to the war department. But according to the best of his recollection he served as a private soldier under Col Hand as a substitute three months under Capt Ball he volunteered and served as a private three months as stated in his first declaration. That in the fall 1778 he served as a Substitute under Genl McIntosh Sweringens company for three months as a private soldier. That in 1779 this affiant Removed to Kentucky and in August 1780 he served as a private soldier (volunteer) under Gen’l. George Rodgers Clarke as well as he can state about six weeks and that in 1782 under the same officer he served in the same capassity as a private Soldier about four or five weeks and that in 1784 under Col Logan he thinks not Longer than three or four weeks but he can state that he went with the Army under Col. Logan and was as long in the service as any that belonged to the Campagne – and for such service I claim a Pension

Sworn to and subscribed this sixth day of February Eighteen hundred and thirty four
NOTE: In the pension application of Thomas Williams S3584 it is stated that at Logstown in the fall of 1777 there was “one man named Joseph Champion killed and one man named Troop wounded.” “Malgus Stropes” or “Troop” was possibly Malcher Strupe VAS317.