State of Tennessee Davidson County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County & State aforesaid

On the 24th day of July 1832 personally appeared before the Court aforesaid, Thomas Patteson resident of the County and State aforesaid, aged seventy-two on the 18th day of September next, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers & served as herein stated. That he was drafted as an enlisted man, as he believes in February 1778 that he served a tour under Captain William Dugett of three months, that he was drafted in Buckingham County Virginia and that he was stationed during his whole time at the Barracks in Albemarle County Virginia and that he was again drafted on the 16th of October 1780 and served six months under Captain Peter May as orderly Sergeant, that Colonel Glenn commanded the Regiment and that the commanding officer was General Stephens [Edward Stevens]: that during the period of service the troops joined General Green [Nathanael Greene] at Cheraw Hills where they remained till after the battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781], when they were ordered to take charge of the British prisoners at Saulsberry [Salisbury] North Carolina, but were unable to overtake them in consequence of the rapid march of General Morgan [Daniel Morgan]. – We then crossed Pedee River and obtained our discharges at Pittsylvania Old Court-house – That he received no written discharge for the last tour, and if he did for the first he has no recollection of ever having had it in possession. That he has no knowledge of any living witness who can testify that he was in service. That 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 any Agency.

S/ Thomas Patteson

[William Hume, a clergyman, and Robert C Foster gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Where and in 4 year were you born?
Answer: I was born in Buckingham County Virginia and on the 18th of September 1760.
Question Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the Revolutionary War & where do you now live?
Answer: I was living in Buckingham County Virginia when called into Service, and lived there after the revolution until the year 1806 when I moved to Davidson County Tennessee where I have resided ever since.
Question. Have you any record of your age: and if so, where is it?
Answer. I have a prayer book where my age is entered in the handwriting of my father.

Question. How were you called into service; were you drafted: did you volunteer, or were you a Substitute? And if a substitute for whom?
Answer. I was drafted on both the tours of duty that I served and never acted as a substitute.

Question: State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental & militia regiments as you can recollect & the general circumstances of your services –
Answer. On the first tour I have no recollection of seeing a regular Officer, my Captain's name William Duggett. The second tour my Captain's name was Peter May – We were under the command of Colonel Glenn and General Stephens & also under General Nathanael Greene.

Question: did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it?
Answer. I have no recollection of ever having received a discharge.

Question. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood & who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution?
Answer. I am known to the Honorable Felix Grundy, Senator – the Honorable John Bell, Representative in Congress for this district & to the present of the United States – Major William B Lewis, Mr. R. E. W. Earl—Mr. E. Hume of one of the auditor office, to Governor Carroll, Colonel Newton Carver – Mr. Beaster [?], and I can add without [indecipherable word], that I am known for veracity I hope to most of the respectable people of this [indecipherable word or words] County, and too many out of it.

Sworn to and subscribed before me July 24, 1832

S/ Henry Ewing, Clerk 
S/ Thomas Patteson

[Facts in file: veteran died August 9, 1836. File contains no family data. The file contains a letter dated August 9, 1832 and headed with "Mouth of Brown's Creek Davidson County" in what appears to be the handwriting of the veteran transmitting his claim to the war Department.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of $40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]