State of Illinois Franklin County: On this 12th day of October 1833 personally appeared before us Demsey Odom and Jesse Shaw two of the County Commissioners for Franklin County and State aforesaid John Robinson a resident of Franklin County in State aforesaid aged eighty-three 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 under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He entered the service in the year 1776 as a Drafted Militia man for 3 months, he was commanded by Captain John Lyles is Colonel James Lyles under the command of General Williamenson [Andrew Williamson], he rendezvoused at a Fort called Eason's where they had a small engagement from there he marched to a place called Seneca River and [indecipherable word] of the Cherokee Indians he states he had a little skirmish at this place but the Indians soon dispersed which place was their head quarters until he was marched from thence to the middle Settlements on the head of Tennessee River where they had an engagement with the Cherokee Indians in which the Americans lost 9 killed on the ground and to guide of wounds next night 20 wounded from there he marched to a place called the Indian Valley Towns which place we burnt the Indians having previously evacuated the place from there they marched to two [?] little towns called Chota from there they marched to Seneca again from there he returned home at the expiration of 3 months. He then was drafted again for 3 months under the before named officers he thinks in the year 1777 and rendezvoused at Augusta from there he marched to the St. Mary's River the State line of Georgia from there he returned back home from there he marched to Savannah River opposite Augusta the British and Tories having possession of Augusta at that time we then went to a farmers called Gaulphin about 15 miles from Augusta where we stayed about one month from there he returned to headquarters opposite Augusta where he remained until his time was out 3 months. He states that about this time General Williamson either joined or took protection under the British he then was engaged in ranging and scouting after the Tories at least 5 months which he thinks was in 1777 or 1778. He then as a volunteer started under Colonel Lyles & Glen to join Colonel Morgan but were prevented by the British after the battle of the Cowpens he returned home and from there he was marched to a place called the Congarees on Broad River in the State of South Carolina where the British were forted we remained here about 3 weeks, when the British surrendered he then returned home which time of service was 70 days and 1779 or 1780 and then he enlisted in the Regular Service under Captain Jeremiah Williams for during the war. That he was employed in the ranging service under

1 Williamson took protection from the British and was paroled sometime in June 1780
Colonel Samuel Hammons [sic, Samuel Hammond] and Major Perdue you until the war was ended which was 3 months which was in 1781 or 1782. He states he knows of no documentary evidence by which he can prove his services and that he never got a discharge and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any State

-- Where were you living when called into service Answer State of South Carolina Newberry County from there he moved to North Carolina Burke County from there he moved to East Tennessee Washington County from there he moved to the State of Alabama Lauderdale County from there he moved to the State of Kentucky Simpson County from there he moved to the State of Illinois Franklin County where he now lives. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Robinson, X his mark

[fn p. 8: on October 23, 1854 in Williamson County Illinois, Stephen Robinson, 56, filed a claim under the act of March for, 1826 stating that he is the son and heir at law of John Robinson deceased, a pensioner at the rate of $33 Brown for his services in the revolution; that his father died July 20, 1835 in the part of Franklin County Illinois which is now Williamson County; that his father "... served in Captain William Dawkins Company Colonel Waters Regiment and under Colonel John Lindsey that he served under Captains Henry Liles and Edward Kelly that he served under the 2 latter Captains 308 days...."; that his father was entitled to a full pension which he did not receive; that in addition to himself his father has the following heirs now living to wit James, Nelly and Sarah Burns (formerly Sarah Robinson). In support of his claim, Stephen Robinson submitted a 6 page certificate dated May 22, 1854 from the South Carolina Comptroller General's office this thing the payments made to John Robinson for services during the revolution.]