State of Virginia }  
County of Tyler }  

On this 11\textsuperscript{th} day of October in the year 1833 personally appeared before me the Subscriber one of the Commonwealths Justices of the peace in and for the said County of Tyler Hezekiah Wade a resident of Fish Creek Settlement in the said County of Tyler and State of Virginia, aged 79 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 7\textsuperscript{th} 1832.

That he entered the service of the united States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That in April 1776 affiant Volenteered as a private and Indian Spie, in the County of Augusta Virginia, now in the County of Monongahalia Virginia [sic: Monongalia in present WV] for a period of three months, under Captain Owen Davy affiant with some others was placed at a Fort on Buffalo [sic: Buffalo] Creek, now in the said County of Monongahalia Virginia was orderd by Capt Davy to Spy from s’d Fort on the waters of Buffaloo Creek, Duncard Creek [sic: Dunkard Creek in present Greene County PA], Bingaman Creek, Fishing Creek, Fish Creek, and Little Fish Creek, waters principally heading togerther. Some leading to the Monongahalia Stations, and the opposite way to the Ohio River, which the Indians would ascend, as their war paths ran along said water course when they Intended to make an incursion upon the Frontiers, during affiants servitude under Capt. Davy in the month of June a party of Indians was discovered on Fish Creek by affiant (and an other man by the name of Gillis who was with him) making their way to Buffaloo Fort, affaint and Gillis hastened to that Station alarmed the labourers in their Fields working, of the Impending danger, and went into Fort. the Savages approached the neighborhood layd in ambush around the Fort one night and day, discovered that their approach was understood killed one Cow and made their Departure, without doing any more damage then; from the number of the enemy, it was not Considered advisable to pursue them from the fort being so much Inferior in number themselves, the above invasion was all that happened during the servitude of affiant under Capt. Owen Davy and he was Discharged in August 1776 having served the period for which he Volenteered by his Capn. Davy. Then in March 1777 Affiant was ordered out as an Indian Spie, and private by Capt. John Minor was stationed at Straders Fort on Duncard Creek in Augusta County Then, now in Monongahalia County Virginia [sic: Statler’s Fort on Dunkard Creek near present Blacksville WV], was orderd by said Capt Minor to Spy upon the aforenamed waters of Buffaloo, Duncard, Bingamon, Fishing Creek &c &c then in Augusta County Virginia, but now in Harrison, Monongahalia, and Tyler Counties Virginia, because of his former acquaintance with said waters, and upon one of his Spying excursions had discovered the trail of a large number of Indians who had made made their way down Bingamen Creek in July of that year, a Branch of the Westfork of the Monongahalia River [now West Fork River] affiant hastened to Stradlers Fort on Duncard Creek, to alarm the people of what he had discovered supposing they would visit that Fort if they had not allready been there. On his approach to said Fort the marks of distress was obvious – the night preceeding the enemy Consisting of
one Hundred warriors discryed a number of about twenty Five men, a working some Corn &c about from one to two miles from said Stradlers Fort, that the Savages placed themselves in ambush on each side of the path leading from thence to the Fort, and on the passage of the laborers to the Fort who had some pork with them killed for the use of the fort, they were fired at, by the savages and Eighteen of their number, were killed dead on the ground amoung whom was affiants Father, Joseph Wade, Jacob Stradler, Michael Kidlinger, James Piles, John Mc丹hels &c &c the numbers of the enemy so greatly overpowrd those within Fort, that the Fort was kept closed, until time had proved their Departure, when affiant amoung others repaired to the ground upon which the bloody deed was committed, and intered the mangled limbs of those who fell at the Charge of the enemy. nothing of particular note happening after that season affiant was discharged by his Captain John Lucas, in October 1778. affiant feeling himself so much aggrived at the distruction by the Savages and hurt at the loss of his Father, Volenteered in March 1779 for a period of nine months under Capt. John Lucas as an Indian Spie and private in Augusta County Virginia now Monongahalia County Virginia, was Stationed at Martins Fort on Crooked Run a Branch of the Monongahalia River, Capt Lucas’s Company of Volenteer Indian Spies, Spied upon the same waters of Buffaloo, Bingamen, Duncard Creek &c &c as before enumerated by affiant in the Counties now of Harrison, Monongahalia and Tyler, Virginia State, affiants servitude was a Vigilent Continuous One until in the month of November in that year at which time he was discharged by his Capt. Lucas. no events happened that season necessary to particularize between affiant and the savage. Then in April 1780 Affiant was ordered out by Col. McClaine of Union Town [Uniontown] Pennsylvania, and placed under the Command of Lieutenant Cooper, of the Pennsylvania malitia to march to Hanstown on water of Canemough [sic: Conemaugh] River as a private to drive the Indian Enemy from that section, continued in the service under Lieutenant Cooper one month and was discharged, then Returned from Pennsylvania to Virginia in Monongahalia County. and in April 1781 affiant was drafted for a period of six months as a private under Captain James Cochran [James Cochran] of the Virginia Malitia. was marched to Fort Pitt a place where Pittsburg now stands. from thence to Wheeling on the Ohio River was stationed at Wheeling Fort for one month, then ascended the Monongahalia [sic: Monongahela] River to Morgantown, in Monongahalia County Virginia, and was stationed at Duncard Creek at Stradler Fort, and there affiant was Dispached as a Spie by Command of said Cochran, and spied on waters in the Counties of now Harrison Monongahalia, and Tyler Virginia until his Tour of Five months for which he was drafted had ended and he was discharged by s’d Captain Cochran, That he served in all not less that 32 months and that during the Period of his servitude he knew the following named officers, Cols McCaine, of Union Town, Williamson of Redstone [present Brownsville PA] (as affiant understood.) Zane, of Wheeling and Broadhead [sic: Daniel Brodhead] of Fort Pitt, Captains Owen Day, John Minor, John Lucas James Cochran, Williamson of Green County Pennsylvania, Capt Mason of Ohio County Virginia, John Ransey of Monongahalia, and that the Regiments he has forggotten. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and Declares that his name is not on the pension Rol of the agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

The said Justice then proceeded to propound to affiant the Seven several Interogatories prescribed by the War Department to which he answered as follows Viz.

1st   Affiant Saith, he was born Frederick County Maryland in the year 1754.

2nd   Affiant saith that he has not [a record of his age].

3rd   Affiant saith, he was living in Augusta County Virginia Now Monongahalia County Virginia removed from thence to Fish Creek where he now resides

4th   Affiant saith he was a volenteer under Captains Davy and Lucas. was ordered out as an Indian Spy by Capt Minor, was ordered out under Lieut Cooper by Gen’l. McClaine in Pennsylvania, and Drafted
und Capt. Cochran.

5th Affiant saith that he knew Genls… Colonels McClain, Williamson, Zane and Broadhead; Captains Davy, Minor, Lucas, Cochran, Williamson, Mason, and Ransey. as to the Regiments he has forgotten, and the circumstances of his service is as above narrated.

6th Affiant saith that he rec’d a Discharge from the Captain under whom he served, in each servitude, as narrated in his decleration, that he has lost or mislaid the same so that he cannot find them.

7th Affiant saith that he is known to Peter Bertrug and Jacob Bowman in his neighborhood, who can testify as to his character for varacity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

NOTES:

On 23 Feb 1841 Rebecca Wade, aged 71 on 11 Oct 1840, applied for a pension stating that she married Hezekiah Wade on 15 June 1785, and he died on 23 Nov 1834. Nathan Joseph, aged 66 on 19 Sep 1844, of Doddridge County VA, certified that Hezekiah and Rebecca Wade were married at his father’s house.

The file contains a small notebook with the family record and other items transcribed below. The record was certified by Hezekiah Jo. Wade of Marion County VA, who stated that he was the eighth child of Hezekiah and Rebecca Wade.

A letter dated 22 July 1845 states that two brothers of Hezekiah Wade had died while living in Monongalia County within a week or two of each other.

[some undeciphered words] Re’d of george wade 16 Buseals of Corn
James Baker the Son of James Baker and Ruth his Wife was born in the year of our Lord February 28th 1779
Rebecca Joseph was born the year 1776 (October 11 and was married June the 15 1786
Sarah wade was Born the 23 day of may in the year of our lord 1788
William Jo. Wade was born march 8th 1790
Elisabeth Wade was born may 23 1792
George Wade was born march the 28 1794
Rebecca Wade was 1796 born november [date undeciphered]
Salla Wade was born november 23 1798
Mary Wade was born January the 14[?] 1801
Hezekiah Jo. Wade was bon april th 7 day of our lord 1803
Ruth Wade was brn December 7 1805
Joseph Wade was born the 14[?] of october 1809
John Jo. wade was born September th 16 1812
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