

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Belfield Wood W4492

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Punctuation, grammar, and spelling as original.

State of Tennessee

Fentress County

On this 23,d day of August 1833 personally appeared before me Robert Richardson - an acting Justice of the peace for said county being a member of the court of pleas and quartersessions for said County which when sitting is a court of record Belfield. Wood, _____ a resident citizen of Fentress _____ county aged Eighty years

agreeable to his best information having no record of his age---and after being duly sworn for that purpose upon his oath states that he entered the service of the united States in the revolutionary war in the State of North Carolina Burke County a volunteer private militia to serve three months Tour under Capt Reuben White and Col Charles McDowell. He marched off Some time in February 1776 the precise day not remembered, march,d to Sallisbury [sic, Salisbury] and Joined General Rutherfords army went on to cross creek, and finally march,d back to Sallisbury and was verbally discharged Some time in may having serv,d three months and in a few days thereafter he again volunteered against the Indians under said Capt Reuben White and Col McDowell and And march,d as an indian Spy to Davidson,s fort on the head to the head of the Catawba river he was stationd at said fort till July ensuing when a body of indians drove the Spies from said fort they then retreated to kathy,s fort [sic, Cathey's Fort] staid at Kathy,s fort one night and left there and was met by the indian,s at the Northfork of the Catawba river and had a battle with the indian,s his said Capt White was kill,d in the battle he then march,d to the quaker meadow fort Station,d at said fort untill reinforc,d by General Rutherfords army then march,d up the Catawba river again to Davidsons fort [sic, Davidson's Fort]. From Davidsons fort he march,d as a spy through the Cherokee nation march,d by the Wautauga [sic, Watauga] Town of of the Tennessee river Burnt said town and thence to the Cowee Town,s Burnt them and march,d to Valley Towns on Tillico [sic, Tellico] and Burnt the same Took some prisoners at Big Telico. March,d back to Davidsons fort first having Joind General Williamsons [sic, Andrew Williamson] army at Big Tillico having then servd out hisSix month,s was verbally discharged. He thinks about the Last day of November 1776 and he again Volunteerd and entered the Service in December 1776 under Captain William Davidson Col McDowel and went to Davidson,s fort and garde,d the Same three months had no battle wa again verbally discharge,d at Said fort Some time March 1777- and he again Vulunteer,d in entere,d the Service under Capt Lew Taylor Col McDowell Major McKisic and march,d off met the Virginia Militia at Cherokee ford, o[n] broad river and on to Stono was in the battle the british: army retreated from the battle ground and having servd out three months he was again verbally discharg,d he Volunteered and entered the service a horseman under Capt William Murry and Col Frank. Lock march,d off Some time in march 1780. rendezvos,d and Joined the army at Santee there to monk,s corner waited for the arrival of General Rutherford retreated from the defeat of the horse at monks corner the morning after the Surrender of Charleston went home recruited about Eight day,s and march,d back To Join General Rutherfords army but was met by the tories at Ramsours mill was in that Skirmish and serv,d out my Tour of three months was again verbally discharged near that place he again volunteer,d and entered

theService to serve a three months Tour and entered the service toward the Latter part of August 1781 under capt Thomas Kenedy [sic, Kennedy] and co,l Lock [sic, Francis Locke] and march,d to Hillsborough and Stationd there some time and having serv,d out our said Tour he was again verbally discharged Some time in the fall Season of the year, in 1781 having serv,d one year and nine months as a private Soldier in militia in the war of the revolution having entered the service Every time in Burk county where he first entered Service he was born in Orange county Virginia a was raised there and in Chesterfield County said Stateliv,d when he he entered the service he move,d To Pindleton [sic, Pendleton] County north Carolina liv,d the 22 year,s he mov,d Madison County Kentucky Staid there Some years, thence he moov,d To Wayne County Kentucky Staid there about Ten years and there To Tennessee Where he now lives applicant has no documentary Evidence of his service and knows of no person by whom he can prove his Service he States that there is no clergy man any place in his neighborhood So that he cannot procure the Evidence of one aplicant has no Doubt but he can prove his reputation as an aman and as a soldier of the revolution of Truth by Samuel Smith William Doss Ab Hatfiell,d and his neighbors generally. he hereby relinquishes Every claim To a pension or annuity Except the and declares his name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any state his sworn to and Subscribed the Belfield X Wood year afsd mark Robert Richardson