

Revolutionary War Pension, #R9028, William Ross - Cooper County, Missouri

Cover: William Ross/ Missouri Act 7 June 1832/ Rejected the letter to Hon. W. M. Ashley February 8, 1833

Application: He served in 1781 from the State of Virginia

Written Record:

State of Missouri
Cooper County

On this twenty sixth day of November in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and thirty two, personally appeared here in open court, before the Honorable Greese Leat, Anthony F Read and Joseph Patterson, E??????, Justice of the County Court of the County of Cooper aforesaid having a Court of Recone, now being in ????? William Ross aged Sixty Eight and resident in Boonville Township in the County and State aforesaid who having the here by the Court duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make this following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress paper on the 7th of June 1832. The days that he entered the service of the United States in or about the first of May in the Year of our Lord Seventeen Hundred and Eightey one- That he first entered the service under one Thomas Smith, Captain, in the Coungy of Henry in the State of Virginia- That he was Drafted. ?????? He marched to Prince Edward Court House and there one Captain Allen (Whose Christian name this affiant does not recollect) took the command as Captain- One Henry Skippeth and one Campbell being Colones commanding the Regiment there- The affiant believes that a man by the name of Lawson was the Brigadier General ther eat the time. That this affiant remained at Prince Edward Court House some two or three Days, When he together with the Regiment aforesaid marched ??????near James Town where he remained with said regiment some three of four days. Then he marched to Bartons Bridge on Chichahomany where the affiant got his discharge; which was presented him by the said Henry Skippeth, being Colonel or Leiutenant Colonel which was done ?????? times in the month of July after he entered the army as aforesaid. This affiant further states that while the regiment to which he beloned was at or near James Town on aforesaid, that General Wayne and Morgan with the men under their command attacked the British at aforesaid town and had a Considerable skirmish, and that the night following the British evacuated the place. This affiant also recollects that Gen Lafayett was a t James Town at the same time and was high in Command as this affiant ???????. This affiant further states that when he entered the service as aforesaid he resided in said county of Henry on Smith River in Virginia near the mouth of Michal's(?) Creek. This affiant further stats that the dischard which he got as aforseaid , ?????? and has been burnt by the burning of his house- He states he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove thath he served in the army as aforesaid, but that he verily believes that he can verify the same by David Jones of Cooper County aforesaid- And this affiant states that he herely freely relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or Anminty,

Except this present; I do declare that my name is not on the Pension list or Rolls of the Agency of any state.

Subscriber sworn to in open Court.

W.M Ross

The undersigned David Jones on Cooper County in the State of Missouri, being duly sworn according to law, on his oath Days, that he has been acquainted with the above named William Ross for about sixty years- that some time in the spring of the yaro 1781, the said Ross was a militiaman and beloged to the Company in Henry County in the Sate of Virginia which was Commanded by one Owen Ruhls, Captain- that this affiant was Sergeant of said company- this affiant well recolects, during said spring of orderin said Ross by the Command of said Ruhls to enter into the Service of the United States as a soldier- tht this affiant did not ??????said Ross enter into the Service but this affiant lived in the same neighborhood with said Ross and it was ??????said and acknowledged that said Ross had entered the service agreeably to said order- The precise length of the tour which he was ordered to serve this affiatn does not recolect, but he believes if was about three months. The said Ross did serve the tour further as this affiatn verily believes fully for he was Patriotic and so were his family- This affiant futher states that some state that in some one or two years after the spring 1781 this affiant was promoted or became the Captain of said Company Commanded by sad Ruhls as aforesaid and this affiant recolects to have been entered upon on entry upon the list of militia Rolls of that Compnay a credit in favor of said Ross of his havng performed the Tour of duty which he was ordered to perform oas aforesaid which entry was made in the hand writing of said Ruhls, Captain- The said Ross continued to reside in Virginia for several years after serving in the army as aforesaid- Since which time he has resided first, in Kentucky, and now after some years in Missouri- And this affiant verily believes that the said Ross in his said declaration hath stated the truth and nothing but the truth-

Sworn and subscribed to in open Court-

David Jones

And now on this 26th Day of November in the year of our Lord 1832, the said Cooper County Court, do hereby Declare their opinion, (After investigation the foregoing matter of the application of the said Ross for approval) to the state, the above named Ross was a Revolutionary soldier, and served as a ??????- and the court further certifies that if fully appears to court here that the said David Jones whose afixant is above written, is a highly respectable and credible witness and that what he has sworn to in his affiant is entitled to full faith and credit.

Greese Leat

A. F. Read

J. Patterson

State of Missouri, County of Cooper

J.P. Robert Pletark clerk of this ?????? Court of this county ofoesaid do hereby certify that he foregoing contains the original proceedings in this matter of the application of William Ross for a pension- In testimony where of ?????? here unto Act my ??????seal of office this seventh day of December AD 1832

Robt. Pletark

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