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Pension Application of Samuel Awbry S30837

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State of Kentucky            } SS.

Breckinridge County        }

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Breckinridge County Court now Sitting Samuel Awbry a resident of Hardin County near the Breckinridge line, in the State afs'd. aged about 73 years who being duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1778 as well as he now recollects in Capt Handys company in the Light Infantry in the [blank] Regiment of the Virginia line and served under the following named officers

He resided in the County of Louden [sic: Loudoun] Va. & in the winter of 1778 he enlisted with Capt Ward a recruiting Officer for & "during the war." He was placed in Capt. Handys Company – we marked on to Philadelphia & joined the main army under the Command of Gen'l. Washington. We staid in that section about 2 months when a large portion of the Army marched to the South under the Command of Genl. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene], we marched through Pennsylvania Virginia Maryland into North Carolina & were stationed in Hillsborough Town & remained there about 2 months from there we marched to George Town in South Carolina [see endnote], from there we marched to Gilford C H. Virginia [sic: Guilford Courthouse NC] & were engaged in the battle of Gilford [15 Mar 1781] & were defeated by the british – on this occasion Gen'l Green Col Wm Washington [William Washington] & Col Harry Lee [Henry Lee] were commanders from there we marched to the utaw Springs [sic: Eutaw Springs SC] & had a battle with the british [8 Sep 1781] & defeated them & took about 800 prisoners from this we marched to a place called 96 & had scrimage & the british surrendered the fort [sic: see endnote] & went to a place called the Block house near Charlestown say 5 or 6 miles – we marched to Charleston S.C. The British left it [14 Dec 1782] & went to Wilmington S.C. [sic: see endnote] as I understood we remained at & near Charleston about 3 or 4 months & were discharged at that place, I rec'd. a written discharge from Col. Wm Washington as I now believe the war having ended but have lost this discharge. he served three years & 6 months He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year afsd

Saml. hisXmark Awbry

NOTES:

Georgetown SC was under British control when Greene entered South Carolina. Most likely Awbry camped at the Cheraw Hills in SC during Jan 1781. The Siege of Ninety Six SC occurred before the Battle of Eutaw Springs, from 22 May till 19 June. It failed to force the British to surrender the fort there. Wilmington NC (not SC) had been under American control since 18 Nov 1781.

Joseph Hutchison (pension application W7838) deposed that he had served one three-month tour with Awbry in 1777.