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Henry Kenney
Roan County

on the 28th day of October 1856 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of pleas & quarter sessions for Roan County, it being a court of record, Joseph Boyd aged 70 years (having a record of his age) who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 that he volunteered in the Army of the United States in the beginning of the year 1782 under Capt. ^{the} Dougherty in the Regiment commanded by Col John Lewis in what is now Washington City Tennessee (at that time a part of North Carolina) was ordered into service in the beginning of said year marched a considerable way in the Cherokee Country to a creek called Hick Creek where we encamped some considerable time being detained in consequence of an uncommon long stay fall and the extreme cold (weather) & being so detained our provisions became short the Army consisting of four or five hundred men & poorly provided with Camp equipage it was determined by the commanding officer to abandon the expedition for the present it being deemed impracticable to penetrate further in the Indian Country at this time, whereupon we were discharged after serving two months but was to hold ourselves in readiness whenever called upon the Campaign was called the Snow Campaign applicant believes he did not receive a written discharge at the time returned home in the summer of the same year applicant again volunteered under Capt. Cornelius Meigs in the Regiment commanded by Col. John Brown against the hostile Indians on paper the Tennessee river at or near old Chote called by the Indians the below down from thence crossed the upper river about eight miles below what is now called Calbraun from thence to a town called Bank Town which we burnt from thence to Bulls Town on Chickamauga Creek where we took some prisoners & burnt said town from thence our course was toward the junction of the Coosa & Nightowee rivers on our way to the last mentioned place at an Indian village our advance guard surprised & took a white man prisoner by the name of Phoenix or Glennins but he attempting to make his escape was shot by one of our company (James Thomas) and died without saying from an examination of his papers he appeared to have been a sergeant in the British service from the last mentioned place we proceeded to destroying the Indian towns & villages on the Coosa river and as we believed burnt & destroyed every town & village on said river & killed a number of Indians & pushed further into the Indian country that we an Army had before having gone up as far as what is now called the Talking Rock thence by way of Conisauga burnt some villages at and on that river came back by way of Hiwassee Tennessee & returned home after serving to best of his recollection at least six months believes he received a written discharge but has lost it long since he has no documentary evidence but nor does he know any living persons by whom he can prove the above matters & towns above mentioned

(The services he performed last he can prove by John White who was in the same
 regiment and whom affidavit in herewith annexed). but state the names of the
 following ^{persons} who live in this neighborhood & who he has known him for a great many
 years & who can testify as to his veracity, to wit: Richard Mayo (Thomas
 Brown & John Brown, Wm Brown (Wm S. M. Cowen & Henry Lassit Cole).
 that he moved with his father from Washington City to some City from
 thence to Roanoke City (Va) where he has resided for the last 56 years
 & where he yet resides. He was born in what is now Shenandoah City (Va) in 1769
 he has a record of his age in his papers, he has stated where he lived
 when called into service & where he has lived since the revolution
 War & he has relinquished every claim whatever to a Pension or
 annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the
 Pension roll of this agency in any State.
 sworn to & subscribed
 in open court 28th October 1834
 J. S. Perry, Clk

John Boyd

I John White aged 46 years ~~resident of~~ Roanoke County do hereby certify
 that I was well acquainted with the above applicant John Boyd in the year
 1782 that I knew him when said Campaign the account he has given is
 correct he being that said applicant served at least six months
 & I am of opinion that both having entered the service at the same time
 was discharged about the same time.

John White
 Clerk

sworn to & subscribed in open court
 28th October 1834
 J. S. Perry, Clk

(Wm Richard Richard, a clergyman residing in the County of Roanoke & State
 of Virginia & George Stewart residing in the same
 hereby certify that we are well acquainted with John Boyd who has subscribed & sworn
 to the above declaration that we believe to be 70 years of age that he is
 a resident & believed in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a
 soldier of the Revolution & that we concur in that opinion

W. R. Richards Clergyman
 George Stewart

sworn to & subscribed in open court
 28th October 1834
 J. S. Perry, Clk

September 10, 1930

Rev. & 1812 Wars Section
AWF:MLB *Am*

Mrs. O. K. Jones
Sweetwater, Tennessee

Dear Madam:

You are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, R. 1574, that Jesse Byrd was born in 1764, in Franklin County, Virginia.

He applied for pension October 23, 1834, in Roane County, Tennessee, and alleged that while residing in North Carolina, that part which was later Washington County, Tennessee, he served in 1782, two months in Captain William Dougherty's company, Colonel John Sevier's North Carolina Regiment, and later, in the same year, served six months in Captain Cornelius Maguire's company, Colonel John Sevier's regiment. Both tours were out against the Indians and burnt some of their towns and took some prisoners.

His claim was not allowed, as proof of six months' service, as required by the pension laws, was not furnished.

He stated that after the Revolution, he moved from Washington County, Tennessee, with his father, whose name is not given, to Greene County, and from thence, to Roane County.

Children were referred to in 1858, but no names were given.

Very truly yours

E. W. MORGAN
Acting Commissioner