

was acquainted with a Colonel Mcquire of the Militia and a Major White who were commanded by the same General Rutherford, also Captain Joseph White of the militia; I was one of 250 men who went down to Wilmington to see if the British were bear, but they were gone on our arrival at Wilmington, General Butler commanded the Detachment who went to Wilmington.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer I did receive a Discharge for the last 3 months tour I served it was given by Colonel Charles McDowell. The other Discharges which I have lost the first was given by Captain Joseph McDowell and the other 6 months tour was given by Captain [indecipherable name, looks like "Hostleluier"¹ or some such]

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. I am known in my present neighborhood by Benjamin Bledsoe, Frederick Smith and Colonel Francis Winfrey & others who can testify as to my character for veracity and good behavior &c

Given under my hand this day and year aforesaid

[Benjamin Bledsoe & Thomas M. Emerson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Kentucky Cumberland County

On this 9th day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Cumberland Circuit Court Valentine Gryder a resident of the County of Cumberland and State of Kentucky aged 70 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Statements by way of amendment to his Original declaration Subscribed and Sworn to and a previous Term of said Court for the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 – That he entered the Service of the United [states] in the Army of the revolution and served as he has set forth in his Original declaration 6 [sic, 4] tours – 2 of 6 months age and 2 of 3 months age, making 18 months as a private soldier in the War of the Revolution for which services he now claims a pension – there is no Clergyman living in his neighborhood and he has consequently procured the Statements of other respectable neighbors – who have testified as to their belief of his having served as Stated in his declaration, and of their belief as to his character as a man of veracity & age.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Valentine Gryder

this May Certifi of Volentine Grider of the Burke Militia Did serve [indecipherable word or words] Tower of Duty in the Redgmt under the Command of Genorl Rutherford from the 15th of Sept to the 15th of December [balance of document illegible]

S/ [first name illegible] McDowell, Colo.

[On May 24, 1853 in Cumberland County Kentucky Mary Grider, 64 on the 18th day of October 1853, filed for a widows pension as the widow of Valentine Grider a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$60 per annum; she states that her husband died March 2, 1837; that she married him February 4 1816 in Lee County Virginia; that they were married by John Flanary a Baptist preacher.]

[facts in the file: Mary's maiden name was Mary Fugate

1 This might be the same officer as Jacob Tipps R10616 identified as Captain John Hoselburger. [Jacob Tipps R10616A](#)