

AZARIAH DOTY
Revolutionary War Pension Application

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On this 5th day of September 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Samuel Powell Judge of the Circuit Court of Law and Equity for the first judicial District in and for the State of Tennessee now sitting in Greenville in Greene County Tennessee, Azariah Doty a resident of Green County Tennessee aged *aged* eighty seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832, that in the year 1775, he was a citizen of Burk County North Carolina which was at that time a frontier county and lay over the mountain and was frequently annoyed by the Cherokee Indians, and in consequence of which a portion of the citizens were left to save the frontier settlement, that in the year 1775, he volunteered on the 1st of July and went under Sergeant Hathorn & Capt. Moon and scouted through Burk County to keep down the Tories & keep off the Indians, and was kept in that employment first under one officer and then under another and at other times, employed not under any particular officer until some time in October when the Indians turned their attention to some other section of country, or at least became less troublesome to that neighborhood, which service consisted of not less than three months, he states that he received no written discharge for his service, that he was only dismissed, he states that he then moved to Washington County North Carolina then, now Green County Tennessee, where he has since resided, he states that in September 1781 about the first of the month he was drafted to go a three months tour to the South, he was enrolled in Washington County then North Carolina now Green County, Tennessee under Colonel Sevier, Capt. John Patterson, Sergeant Flippen and was marched to the Santee swamps by way of Morgantown, ____, Camden, through the high hills of Santee to the Santee swamps where he joined General Marion when a scouting party took some British prisoners & brought them to the swamp, he states that Colonel Moon was also at that place with Marion, he states that his company was mustered men, he states that he remained at that place until the term of three months had expired when they were discharged verbally and returned back to Washington then N Carolina after having served the full term of three months, he states he was not in any battle during his tour under Marion, he states that he served frequent short tours after parties of Indians the summer following none of which was more than two weeks, one of which tours he volunteered under Capt. Wilson and was marched to Frenchbroad River after the Cherokee Indians which tour was about one week, shortly after he volunteered in Washington County as before Under Capt. Wear and was marched to Little River now Blount County Tennessee and returned home and was then verbally discharged by the said Captain Wear, after having served a tour of two weeks, and many other short tours he served, he states that he served in all ten months and three weeks during the war of the Revolution as above stated, he states he is a citizen of Green County Tennessee, he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can provide who can testify to his service, he states there is no resident Minister of the Gospel in his neighborhood. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to me and subscribed this day and year aforesaid. Azariah (his mark) Doty V. Sevier Clk

Postscript

Azariah's death at the age of 106 years, was said to be from snake bite. He is buried on his farm, now part of Doty's Chapel Church and Cemetery.