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*Crowder, Philip*

*S. 30974*

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*Illinois 7937*

*Philip Crowder*

*Attest*  
*Philip Crowder* 6' in the State of Illinois  
who was a *Pvt.* in the company commanded  
by *Captain Higdon* of the Regiment commanded  
by *Col. Dick.* in the Virginia  
line for 9 mos. 240 days.

*5 mos. & 10 days pay 31.66*

*3 d. Private. 10. -*

*\$41.66*

Enrolled on the Roll of *Illinois*  
at the rate of *41. Dollars 56 Cents* per annum  
to commence on the 15th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the *23* day of *Apr.*  
1833 and sent to  
*C. R. Matheny Springfield Ill.*

Amount to the 15th of Mar. 1833. *83.32*

Pension allowance ending *4 Sept.* *20.85*  
*1833*

*\$104.15*

{ Revolutionary Claim,  
Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by *W. H. Palmer* - Clerk,  
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Philip Crowder  
Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act  
of Congress passed June 7. 1832.

State of Illinois }  
County of Sangamon } Jc.

On this ninth day of October A.D. 1832. personally appear-  
ed in open court before The County Commissioners Court  
for the County of Sangamon now sitting Philip Crowder, a  
resident in the County of Sangamon & State of Illinois, aged  
seventy two, who first being 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 7. 1832.

I was born on the seventh day of April A.D. 1760. in the  
County of Amelia, Virginia. & removed when about five  
years of age to the County of Blacklinburg <sup>Virginia</sup> - where I resi-  
ded when called into service - In 1785 I removed to  
Wm. H. H. County N. Carolina - where I remained until  
1791. In this year I removed to Green County, Kentucky  
In 1830 I removed to Sangamon County Illinois, where  
I have since resided - The only record of my age  
is upon the leaf of a Testament given to me by my father  
& now in my possession - purporting to be a register of  
the births & deaths in my father's family -

In August 1775 - I was enrolled - at Blacklinburg  
County, as a substitute for my brother William - in a  
company of militia commanded by Capt. Richard Surp-  
ston. From Blacklinburg we marched with another  
company of militia, commanded by Capt. Petty, through  
Bromwich & Dunwoody Counties, by Petersburg  
Cobham & Suffolk Town to Portsmouth. We were  
attached to a <sup>regiment</sup> commanded by Col. Fred.  
Blacklin <sup>Anderson</sup>. All the militia  
stationed at Portsmouth - were as I understood

at the time commanded by Genl. Scott. who joined us at Portsmouth Town a few day before our discharge - At this time I served three months as orderly Sergeant - During the 3 mos. that we were in or near Portsmouth. we were employed in protecting the country against the Tories who were embodied in small Companies in the Dismal Swamp on one occasion I volunteered with about 40. others under Capt. Swelston to go in pursuit of a party of Tories who had fired upon a Company marching to join us. In this expedition after a slight skirmish we took fifteen prisoners, who were sent to Hampton where Genl Scott ~~then~~ <sup>was</sup>. I do not remember any Continental or military regiments who served with us, I received my discharge at Portsmouth from Col. Blacklin - which I have lost -

About the first of Jan'y. 1781. in Blacklinbury County Virginia I was enrolled as a drafted man in <sup>a</sup> ~~company~~ <sup>of militia</sup> commanded by ~~Genl~~ <sup>Col</sup> Sanders. About the tenth of the month we marched to Brunswick County where we were joined by several Companies of militia We marched thence through Cobham & Cabin Point to Suffolk Town. Here we were organized & our company was attached to a regiment (I think the Seventeenth). commanded by Col. Alexander Dick and Major Long, both regular officers - General Mullenburg commanded all the militia at this place From Suffolk Town we marched to the Wet Camp where we were joined by Genl Steuben, who aided in drilling the troops - The object for which the militia was called out at this time - was to counteract the operations of Benedict Arnold - who then had possession of Portsmouth Town - & prevent his incursions into the Country - I was on several occasions engaged in skirmishes with parties of the enemy -

I do not remember any Continental or militia regiments  
serving with us - The only regular officers, besides  
those already named, whose name I recollect was Major  
Hamilton - who was attached to another regiment - I served  
three months & ten days as orderly sergeant & received  
<sup>my discharge</sup> at the West Camp from Col. Dick which I have lost.

The same year 1781. I was enrolled at Blacklinburg  
County - as a drafted man in a company, <sup>of militia</sup> commanded  
by Capt Richard Epworth. & Lieut. Jno. Clay. We marched  
with several other companies of militia under Col Jesse  
Saunders & Major James Anderson. through Prince Edward  
County to Yorktown to the siege of York where I remained  
until the surrender of Cornwallis. I do not remember  
any Continental or militia regiments who served with us  
except one regiment commanded by Col Sigel Jones  
The only regular officers whose names I recollect, were  
Genl Washington, Gen La Fayette, Gen Stanton & Col  
Hamilton - I served as a private 2 months and  
a few days and received my discharge from Col  
Saunders at Yorktown which I have lost.

I have no documentary evidence of my service  
as above detailed - nor do I know of any person  
whose testimony I can procure - who can testify to  
my service - <sup>Mr. William Haggard & Mr. William Haggard</sup>  
<sup>have been long acquainted with me & can testify to my</sup>  
<sup>character for veracity & this belief of my services as a</sup>  
<sup>partisan of the revolution</sup>  
I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a  
pension or annuity except by present. & declare  
that my name is not on the pension roll of the  
agency of any State -

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Philip Crowder

We James Haggard a clergyman, residing in  
the County of Sangamon, in <sup>the</sup> State of Illinois and

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office.

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Sir:

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules and the subjoined notes you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will shew what is necessary to be done. Those points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus: { ). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

A Statement, shewing the Service of Philip Browder - Sangamon Co Illinois

Period when the service was rendered.	Duration of the claimant's service.			Rank of the claimant.	Names and Rank of the Company officers under whom he served.	Names and Rank of the General and Field officers.	Battles in which the applicant was engaged.	Country through which he marched.	Place of abode when he entered the service, and age at the present period.	Evidence by which the declaration is supported.
	Years.	Months.	Days.							
1776	"	3	"	Private	Capt. R. L. Smith Capt. J. L. Smith Capt. J. L. Smith	Gen. Scott Col. Smith Col. Smith	Seemingly	Virginia	42 years Michigan burg Co Vt.	Traditionary
Jan'y. 1781	"	3	10	"	Capt. L. Smith Capt. L. Smith	Col. Dick Maj. Long Capt. L. Smith	Seemingly	Virginia		
1771	"	3	"	Private	Capt. E. Smith Lieut. L. Smith	Col. L. Smith Maj. L. Smith	None	Vir.		

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant

J. L. EDWARDS,

Commissioner of Pensions.

June 21, 1940

Mrs. Adria Holmbrecht  
107 North Public Street  
Tonkawa, Oklahoma

BA-J/MCS  
Philip Crowder  
S.30974 *Qu*

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to that part of your letter of April 25, 1940, in which you request information relative Phillip Crowder of Virginia who served in the Revolutionary War and information relative to his descendants who served in the War of 1812.

The data which follow were taken from papers on file in the pension claim, S.30974, based on the military service of the only Philip Crowder that is found in the Revolutionary War records of this office.

Philip Crowder (personal signature) was born April 7, 1760, in Amelia County, Virginia. The names of his parents are not shown. When about five years of age, he moved to Mecklenburg County, Virginia, and was living there during his service.

He enlisted and served with the Virginia troops as follows: from August, 1776, three months as orderly sergeant in Captain Richard Swapston's company in Colonel Fred Muhlins' regiment, as substitute for his brother, William Crowder; from about January 1, 1781, three months and ten days as orderly sergeant in Captain Jesse Sanders' company in Colonel Alexander Dick's regiment; again in 1781, three months and a few days as private in Captain Richard Eperson's company in Colonel Jesse Sanders' regiment and was at the siege of Yorktown.

In 1786, he moved to Rutherford County, North Carolina. In 1791, he moved to Groen County, Kentucky, and in 1830 he moved to Sangamon County, Illinois.

Philip Crowder was allowed pension on his application executed October 9, 1832, while living in Sangamon County, Illinois.

No family data were given other than the reference to the soldier's brother, William Crowder.

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension of Philip Crowder, the name and address of the person to whom it was paid and possibly the date of death of this soldier, it is suggested that you address The Comptroller General, Records Division, General Accounting Office, Washington, D.C., giving the following data:

Philip Crowder, Certificate #7937, issued April 23, 1833, rate \$41.66 per annum, commenced March 4, 1831, Act of June 7, 1832, Illinois Agency.

In order to make a search of the War of 1812 records of this office for a soldier surnamed Crowder, it is essential that you furnish the full name and give as much as possible of the following data: approximate date of birth and death, place of residence at enlistment and after service and first name of wife or widow.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER  
Executive Assistant  
to the Administrator