Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Stone R10221

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State of Tennessee Williamson County: Before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said State and County before mentioned personally appeared Rebecca W Nunn aged about fiftyseven years who being duly sworn according to law Deposes and says that she and Frances McKee are the only surviving Children of William Stone Deceased who served in the 1st Regiment of Virginia State line under Captain Hoffer or Hoffers [perhaps a mistaken reference to Capt. William Hoffler of the 1st Virginia State Regiment] commanded by Colonel Geo Gibson [George Gibson] for the term of three years or thereabout in the Revolutionary war agreeable to the best information that I have – That the said William Stone Died in Williamson County State of Tennessee on or about the 14th day of May 1837 aged about ninety-one years at the Residence of the aforesaid Rebecca W Nunn and that his widow Rachel Stone died in March in the year A.D. 1847 in the County of Gibson and State of Tennessee at the Residence of Isaac N Mayfield – at this application is made for the purpose of receiving the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June A.D. 1832. This the 20th day of September A.D. 1851.

S/ Rebecca W Nunn

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Rebecca W. Nunn aged about 56 years having been duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists to speak the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth deposes and says as follows – Question 1st. Was William Stone who lived on Silver Creek in Maury County your father – Ans. – He was

 2^{nd} . Where was he raised

Ans. – He was raised in King & Queen County Virginia –

 3^{rd} . I have you any knowledge of his age

Ans. – None except his own statement – He had often told me he was born in 1747 under the old style as he expressed it – but I do not understand what the old style means –

 4^{th} . When did your father move from Virginia and where did he moved to -

Ans. – He moved from Virginia in the fall of the year 1806 as well as I can recollect and when I first knew him he lived in Mecklenburg County – he came to Maury County in the state of Tennessee near Columbia about the 1st of March 1807 and lived near that place several years but afterwards bought land a few miles East of Columbia in the same County on Silver Creek and

resided there until 1823 - I having married in the mean Time & settled in Williamson County and my father from the infirmities of age having become incompetent to manage his business in the year 1823 he moved to my house in Williamson County where he resided to the time of his death which took place in May 1837 in the 91st year of his age –

 5^{th} . – Do you recollect hearing your father speak of serving as a common Soldier in the Revolutionary war – if so State how long he said he served – the names of his officers – what battles he was in & all you recollect of hearing him say about it –

Ans. – I have heard him often speak of serving as a common soldier and describe the privations and suffering he endured during that time – He informed me that he enlisted near the close of the war in the State Legion of Virginia and after that enlistment he was not called into active service anymore. The names of the inferior officers I do not recollect but I have heard him say he served under General Washington. – I don't recollect ever hearing him speak of being in any particular battle –

 6^{th} . – Did your father ever draw a pension or apply for one –

Ans. – I am sure he never drew a pension or applied for it – When it was proposed I always opposed it and in consequence of my objections no effort was ever made to obtain it – 7^{th} . Who are the heirs of William Stone –

Ans. – My father had five children who left heirs surviving him – The heirs of Mary Mitchell – of Nancy Dickey – Thomas W Stone – Frances McKee & Rebecca W Nunn

R. W. Nunn



State of Tennessee

Williamson County} this Day personally appeared before me W. M. Nunn an acting Justice of the peace for the county & State aforesaid the deponent R. W. Nunn who after [undeciphered word] was qualified in due form of law to the truth of the above deposition and I hereby certify that the same was reduced to writing by me in presence of deponent and that she is a lady of good standing and entitled to full faith and credit. February 26^{th} , 1851

S/W. M. Nunn, JP for Williamson County

[p 7: Deposition dated January 10th, 1851 of Rachel Carter resident of Marshall County Tennessee aged between 80 & 90 years in which she states she is the sister of William Stone who formerly lived in Maury County Tennessee on Sylver Creek [sic, Silver Creek]; that her brother was raised in King & Queen County Virginia; that he was between the age of 25 or 30 years of age when the Revolution commenced; that her brother was not living with her father at the time the war commenced but was living in an adjoining County the name of which she does not recollect; that she heard her brother say that he was in the service and that was understood in the neighborhood. She signed her affidavit with her mark.

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William Stone in the 1st Virginia State Regiment commanded by Colo. Gipson having [indecipherable word] as a foot Soldier in Captain Hofflers Company the term of 3 years for which he was enlisted is hereby discharged the service. Given under my hand at Frederick town January 4th 1780 Signed Wm Hoffler Capt. [William Hoffler]A copy S/ J. Shackelford CBAS/ J Allison Lt. Colo.[Note: The above record clearly relates to another William Stone whose application is posted in
this database at William Stone W8752]

Executive Department Richmond Virginia August 24 1850 The above is a true copy of a paper filed in this Department S/ Wm H. Richardson, ? Comr.

[p 15: On August 27, 1851 in Gibson County Tennessee, Rev. Joel Nunn and Samuel J Wilkins, Esquire, gave testimony that they were well acquainted with William Stone deceased and Rachel Stone his wife; that they lived together as man and wife a good many years after they became acquainted with them; that they were married in Virginia.

Joel Munn