Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ephraim Turner R10753 Elizabeth f11VA
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Isle of Wight Sct.

I do hereby Certify, that Ephraim Turner have taken and subscribed the oath or affirmation of allegiance and fidelity, as directed by an act of General Assembly entitled An act to oblige the free male inhabitants of this State above a certain age to give assurance of allegiance to the same, and for other purposes. Witness my hand and seal, this 10th day of October A.D. 1777

S/ John Lawrence {Seal}

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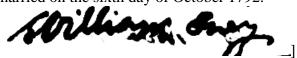
On this 12th day of September in the year of our Lord 1853 before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Mely Turner aged 58 years, She being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Provisions made in Congress or any other Provision that she may be entitled to for Revolutionary land or Pensions or increase of Pension due her mother in her husband's right. She declares that she is the identical child of Ephraim Turner who was a Soldier in the Revolution served as Private in the Virginia militia service of the war of the revolution. That she has no proof of service and knows of no Person's testimony he can obtain. She claims the act of seventh of June 1832. She presents the oath of his allegiance where he [indecipherable word].

She further declares that Ephraim Turner her father the aforesaid soldier late deceased of said County [several words written over and illegible] & according to law on the fifth day of October in the year 1792 as will more fully appear by the proofs hereunto annexed and that Ephraim Turner the said Soldier died on the eighth day of September in the year 1832 leaving his wife a widow [several words written over and illegible] and the following named children viz. Elizabeth Turner the widow and Mely Turner the child and that Elizabeth Turner the aforesaid widow died on the seventh day of August in the year 1837 survived [by] children namely Mely Turner. She further [balance of line written over and illegible].

Subscribed & sworn to before me this day and year first above written S/ Mely Turner, X her mark

[f p. 7: On September 12, 1853 in South Hampton County Virginia, Mark Drake, 82 gave a supporting affidavit in which she states that Mely Turner is the identical child of Ephraim Turner who was a soldier of the revolution; that Ephraim Turner lawfully married on the fifth day of October 1792; that Ephraim Turner died September eight, 1832 and that his widow died August seventh, 1837 survived by Mely Turner. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[f p 9: On August 26, 1853 in South Hampton County Virginia, William Oney, ¹ a revolutionary soldier aged 94 made oath that Ephraim Turner served 12 months in the war of the revolution, married on the sixth day of October 1792.



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¹ FPA S18147