Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Thomas White S15240

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State of Maryland

Baltimore County Sct.

Be it Remembered, and it is hereby Certified, that on this twenty first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two, before the subscriber one of the Justices of the Orphans Court for Baltimore County aforesaid, (the same being a Court of Record) personally appeared at his residence in said County Thomas White, aged Eighty three years, who was prevented from attending in open court by reason of bodily infirmities, and who being first duly sworn according to law, did on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June the Seventh One thousand eight hundred and Thirty Two. That he [entered the service under the follow]ing named officers and served as therein stated, that he was born in Baltimore County in the said State of Maryland in the year Seventeen Hundred and fifty nine, and resided in that County until he attained his Seventeenth year. That he was then drafted into the Continental Service for Nine Months in Captain Baily's [Bailey's] Company under the command of Colonel [William] Smallwood, he then with the rest of the Company marched through the following named states to wit, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania, and was in the Battle of Germantown that was fought in October [4th] Seventeen hundred and seventy seven and was commanded by General Stephens [sic: Adam Stephen].*

*[Note added in margin] On account of Thomas White not dist[inctly] recollecting the name of the General under whom he served at the battle of Germantown, I have erased that part of the affidavit concerning Gen. Stephens. James B. Price - Judge of the Orphans Court [end of note] That after the expiration of Nine months he with many others returned home to the aforesaid County on Furlough, where he remained until he went to the City of Baltimore and Enlisted as a private soldier in Captain [Adam] Grosh's company in the 7th Maryland Regiment on the Seventeenth day of March Seventeen hundred and seventy eight, for and during the war; and that he marched through the states of Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania, aforesaid, and also the states of New Jersey, South Carolina and Virginia; and he further states that he was in many skirmishes during the years seventeen hundred and seventy eight, seventeen hundred and seventy nine, that he was in the battle of Camden [SC], fought in August [16th] seventeen hundred and eighty; and also in the battle of Yorktown [VA] fought in October Seventeen hundred and eighty one; and that after the battle of York town he remained in service until Seventeen hundred and eighty three, when he received pay from John Hamilton agent for the Maryland line, for his services rendered the United States, and then he was verbally discharged by his captain by orders of General George Washington. After which he with many others returned home. And he further states that he well knew Colonel John Stone of the Maryland Line, who was wounded in the battle of German Town, and also Colonel John Eager Howard when in service of the United States, and that he has a perfect knowledge of Colonel Lodwich Waltner [sic: Lodowick Weltner]. and he further states that he has faithfully served his Country. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to any pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension List or Roll of the Agency from any State except the State of Maryland.

Having been heretofore enabled to procure his daily bread by his own hands, he was unwilling to become a pensioner upon the bounties of his Country, but recent indisposition and growing infirmities has reduced him to a dependence thereon, and he therefore now prefers his claim.

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[Note in margin] presented by the Son of the applicant 35.340 Ephraim White Baltimore

State of Maryland Baltimore County To Wit

Be it Remembered that on this second day of June in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty two, before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for the

County of Baltimore, Personally appeared Joshua Owings aged Eighty five years a resident of said County, and made Oath on the Holy evangely of Allmighty God, That, he was first Lieutenant in Captain Stinchcombs Compnay in the year Seventeen Hundred and Seventy Six, and that on the 29th day of August Seventeen Hundred and Seventy Seven he was duly commissioned by the Govenor of Maryland first Lieutenant in the Compnay aforesaid, of Militia Soldiers delight Battalion Baltimore County, and this deponent further declares under oath that he was and has been intimately acquainted and have lived near neighbour with Thomas White from his childhood up to this period, and that he well knows in the year Seventeen hundred and seventy six, when the said Thomas White was mustering in the Compnay of Captain Bailys, and that he further knows in the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy seven the aforesaid Thomas White marched with the rest of his Compnay aforesaid from the City of Baltimore for to join the army at the head of the Chesapeake bay, and that he returned home to the aforesaid County, some short period after the Battle at Germantown, where he remained until the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Eight when he the said Thomas White went to the City of Baltimore and enlisted as a private soldier in the Compnay of Captain Grosh and under the Command of Colonel [John] Gunby, then he with the rest of the Compnay marched from the City of Baltimore to join the main Armys where he remained with his Compnay until the end of the Revolutionary War, after which he with many others returned home to the County aforesaid, where he has resided eversince, and this deponent further declares that the said Thomas White has many years ago related his Revolutionary services over and spoke freely of the skirmishes and the Battles to him in which he was engaged during that war, that he further declares, that he read the said Thomas White Declaration as sworn to before the Hon. James B. Price one of the Justices of the Orphans Court of Baltimore County, and of the truth of the facts, to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that he knows him to be the same person aforesaid that the said Thomas White can with safety be relied on for truth and Correct Statement.

[signed] Joshua Owings