Pension Application of Mathias Sypherd (Syphird) S35092 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. MD

State of Maryland Frederick County Sct

On this fourteenth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and nineteen before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the fifth Judicial district of said state personally appears Matthias Syphird aged about fifty six years resident in said county, who being by me duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war, that he the said Mathias Syphird enlisted in the revolutionary service in April in the year 1781 in Frederick Town in said State in the company commanded by Captain John Lynn of the third Maryland Regiment commanded by Colonel [Peter] Adams and afterward by Colonel [John] Stewart. that he continued to serve in said corps or in the service of the United States for two years and six months and upwards from the time of his enlistment when he was discharged from service at Annapolis toward the close of the war 1783, that he was in the battle at the siege of York when Cornwallis and army were captured [19 Oct 1781], and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

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On the third day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and nineteen before me the subscriber an associate Judge of the fifth Judicial district of said state personally appears John Walker [pension application W6398] of said county of lawful age, who maketh oath on the holy Evangely of Almighty God and saith that he is well acquainted with Mathias Syphird of said county, and knows of his own knowledge that the said Syphird was a Soldier in the third Maryland Regiment at the siege of York in the year 1781, but does not remember the company to which the said Syphird belonged. that he the said Walker belonged to the German battalion, which battalion was reduced to a company and placed under the command of Captain [Benjamin] Price and annexed to the third Maryland Regiment at the seige of York in 1781, and continued so annexed untill the close of the revolutionary war, and that he the said Walker continued a private under Captain Price untill the Autumn of 1782 when he was drafted into Captain Revelley's [Francis Reveley's] Light infantry company – that untill this period the said Syphird was a fellow soldier in the said third Regiment and the almost daily companion of him the said Walker and he the said Walker further saith that he knows of his own knowledge that the said Syphird continued in the service of the United States untill the close of the war, and that they were discharged together at Annapolis in 1783

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On this 12th day of September 1820 personally appeared in open court, being a court of Record for Frederick County, expressly made so by the Laws of the state aforesaid and proceeding according to the course of the common Law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of its procedings and having the power of fine and imprisonment Matthias Sypherd aged fifty seven years, resident in said county, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: In Captain McPhersons company of Infantry in the 3^d Maryland Regiment commanded by Colonel Steward that he applied for a pension and obtained a certificate number 14.496 And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and

that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. Mathias Sypherd

Schedule/ No property of any kind

And the said Matthias Sypherd doth also make oath that he is by occupation a carpenter but owing to a failure of his sight and being much plagued with the rheumatism he is unable to do little or nothing at that business or any other and that he has no family