Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

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Pension application of Thomas Wilkins S35742 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Kentucky Hardin Circuit Sct. June Term 1820 Ordered that the following schedule be admitted to record having been first sworn to in open Court

Schedule

District of Kentucky Hardin County SS

On this 20th day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the District and County aforesaid Thomas Wilkins aged 63 years resident in Hardin County and said district who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows enlisted under Captain Edward Gallant in the 14th Virginia Regiment of foot commanded by Colonel William Daviss [William Davis] and was discharged by Colonel William Daviss at the Valley-- in the State of Pennsylvania. I do not recollect the time of my entering or the time I was discharged the links that I served was 3 years during which time I was a private.

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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 viz. one cow. My occupation is farming I have a wife named Elizabeth aged 55 one son named Richard aged sixteen [? word written over and unclear] one daughter named Patsey aged eleven also one other Daughter named Betsey aged eight years I am afflicted so that I am entirely unable to work. I overstrained myself by lifting and am [indecipherable word] so that I am entirely unable, my wife is also afflicted with the consumption, and children are tolerably healthy.

S/Thomas Wilkins

Sworn to and declared on the 20th day of June 1820 before [illegible] Clerk Hardin Circuit Court The Court are of opinion that the value of the cow mentioned in the foregoing schedule is \$10.

[fn p. 8: in a certificate dated June 22, 1827 filed in order to obtain a replacement for a lost pension certificate the veteran describes himself as having served in the 14th Regiment under Colonel Davis, Captain Winston and General George Washington.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 7th, 1818 for 3 years

service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

[Note: this file does not contain the original application which must have been dated September 7, 1818, the date of the commencement of the veteran's pension. I also looked for the 1818 application in the HeritageQuest.com file and it was not in that file.]