Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Jesse Robertson S39049

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State of Tennessee } May 28th 1818 Montgomery County Sct }

This day, beforefore me Perry Wayne Humphreys one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts in & for the State of Tennessee Came Jesse Robertson an inhabitant of the said County of Montgomery who being first Duly Sworn to declare the truth and nothing but the truth as to his services as a soldier in the army of the United States in the revolutionary War Declares & says that enlisted as a soldier in Captain Lille's [sic: Archibald Lytle's] Company of the 6th Regiment commanded by Colo. [John Alexander] Lillington of the North Carolina line, on the 24th day of October in the year 1776 for the term of three years – he enlisted at Hallifax [sic: Halifax] North Carolina – was marched to Chalestown [sic: Charleston SC]. thence into the State of Pensylvania & he continued in service during the term for which he was enlisted towit, in the States Pensylvania New Jersey New York & Connecticut under Different commanders

At the Valley forge in Pensylvania he was transfered to Captain Somers's Company & was discharged on the 24th of October in the year 1779 – by Colo. Wm. L. Davidson at a place called Constitution Island opposite West Point in the North River. His discharge he delivered to one of the members of the Legislature of North Carolina for the purpose of procuring his allowance for Depreciation of his pay & has never seen it since Whether it exists at present he does not know — he was at the Battles of Brandy wyne [sic: Brandywine, 11 Sep 1777] & Germantown [4 Oct 1777] & others of less note; he is now in his fifty eight or 59 year of his age he has been Crippled by an accident & is so Reduced in his circumstances as to require the assistance of his Country for Support & therefore wishes a pension to be allowed him under the act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war. [signed] Jesse Robertson

State of Tennessee

At a County court of pleas & quarter sessions Continued & held for the County of Montgomery at the Court House in the Town of Clarksville on third Monday in October Anno Domini 1820 Present

The following report was entered on the Minutes of Court at full length (to wit)

Schedule

State of Tennessee }
Montgomery County }

On the 17th day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court (it being a Court of record) for said County Jesse Robertson aged Sixty two years, resident of said County, who being first duly Sworn according to law doth on his Oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, by inlisted into Capt. Lytle in the 6th Regiment of North Carolina & was transfered to the first on the 8th day of January 1778 & was discharged the 24th day of October 1799 at West point in the State of New York original declaration dated the 28th day May 1818 and number of pention Certificate 12375 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 intitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war, passed on the 18th day of March 1818 & that I have not, nor has any person for me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me Subscribed [illegible word]

one Cow & yearling, one Sow & eight pigs income nothing and indebted more than is due to me,

and by Occupation a Cooper but unable to pursue it for Rheumatic pains & old age; family consists of myself & Wife the latter of whom is sixty six years of age and much afflicted with Rheumatic

Jesse Robertson

It is the Opinion of the Court, that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid schedule of Jesse Robertson is twenty three dollars.