Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Sturman S39093 f12VA
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State of Tennessee Warren County: On this 8th day of January 1823 personally appeared in open court it being a Court of record of pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Warren William Sturman an aged 70-year-old 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 that he the said William Sturman enlisted for the term of two years on the 15th day of January in the year 1776 in Bedford County in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Henry Terril [Henry Terrill also spelled Henry Terrell] of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Josiah Parker and Lieutenant Colonel William Davis in the Line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Court and in the service of the United States until the two years the term of his enlistment expired when he was discharged from service at the Valley Forge Camp in Pennsylvania on the __ day of February 1778 that he was in the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and Germantown [October 4, 1777] and marched as far north as Morristown in New Jersey that he has lost his discharge and that this is his original Declaration that he is in Reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has now no other evidences in his power of the said Services.

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

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Real Estate		none
Personal Estate	Three Cows	\$25.00
	one Saddle	3.00
	one axe and hoe	2.00
	one skillet	1.00
	two tin cups	.12 1/2
	Earthen plates	\$.50
	two bowls	.25
	6 knives and forks	.50
	8 spoons	.25
	2 Peggins	.75
	shoemaking [tools?]	2.00

\$35.37 1/2

S/ William Sturman

And the deponent further sayeth that his family consist of himself who is a small feeble man unable to work much and by trade a Shewmaker the labor of which is his only support; his wife Delpha 53 years of age is sickly and very subject to the Cholick.

Sworn to and declared in open court on the 8th day of January 1823 S/ William Sturman