Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Moses Self W19009

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[Capitalization partly corrected.]

Westmoreland County and State of Virginia which I Moses Self is a Resident and in my fifty seventh year of age, and was drafted in the year 1780 in Northumberland County – for Eighteen Months – and served my tower in the sixth Regiment under the command of Lewis Thomas Capt and Colonel Febecca [sic: Christian Febiger], in the contineltal army and have been crippled since by haveing one of my legs broke, and very much reduced in my circumstances and need assistance.

Given under my hand this 25th day of May 1818 [signed] Moses Self

State of Virginia County Court of Westmoreland

On the 26 day of July in the year 1819 came before the said Court, being a Court of Record, personally appeard in open court Moses Self aged about sixty years, resident in the said county, who being first sworn according to law, doth on his Oath make the following statement and decleration, in order to obtain the provisions made by 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 in the month of march 1780 he was drafted in the County of Northumberland for eighteen months to serve in the Continental Armey and Virginia line. That he with other recruits and drafted men were marched to the city of Richmond and from there to Cumberland old Court House (the place of rendesvous) where they were placed in a company commanded by Capt Lewis Thomas and was attached to the Tenth Virginia Regiment of the Virginia Line commanded by Colo. Febeccer and with the said company and regiment was marched into the state of North Carolina some distance over Roanoak [sic: Roanoke] River, and was engaged in suppressing the Tories & Negroes after which Capt Thomas' company returned to Cumberland old Court House where he was discharged some time in September 1781 after serving his whole term. That he is now old and infirm and in reduced circumstances and stands in need of assistance from his country for support

Westmoreland County State of Virginia

This day Thomas Self [pension application S19461] (aged about sixty years) came before me Samuel Templeman (Judge or presiding magistrate of the County Court of Westmoreland being a Court of Record and made Oath that he knew Moses Self at the time he was drafted for eighteen months, he the said Thomas stood his draft at the same time. That the said Moses Self was marched to the Southward and that after his time of service expired, understanding the said Moses Self was sick at Cumberland Old Court House, he went to see him, and after waiting two or three days the said Moses Self returned with this deponant home, given under my hand & seal this 26th day of July 1819.

The deposition of William Spurling [S41182] taken before me as above, who deposeth & saith That Moses Self was a soldier in the revolutionary armey in the continental establishment. That the said Moses Self was in a company attached to the 10th Regiment of the Virginia line which was commanded by Colo. Thomas Gaskins untill after the Siege of York; after that period the regiment was commanded by Colo. Febecer and was marched to the Southward. At the time he knew Moses Self the armey was at Cumberland old Court House, and the said Self was left there with the Small Pox. given under my hand & seal this 26th day of July 1819.

State of Virginia

Westmoreland County To wit,

On this 26th day of June 1820 personally appeared in open court, being a court of Record agreeably to the Laws of the State of Virginia, Moses Self aged about Sixty years, resident in the County of Westmoreland in said state, who being first sworn according to Law, doth on his oath declare That he served in the revolutionary war as follow's In the 10th or 11th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded first by Colo. Thomas Gaskins and afterwards by Colo. Febeecer, in a company commanded by Cap'n. Lewis Thomas and was at the siege of york in Virginia, afterwards in north Carolina against the Indians on Dan River. Returned and was discharged at Cumberland old Court House in Virginia, as will more fully appear by reference to the original declaration filed in the war office, dated the Twenty fifth day of may 1818 on which a pension Certificate was granted the ninth day of October 1819 number 15.309. 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 person 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. no real estate whatever. Rented Land at \$33.33\% pr annum. no Horse. no cattle. no property of any kind, having been sold for debt 10 years ago. (Beds & clothing excepted) Occupation a Farmer – a cripple having had his leg broken. not able to walk but little. Himself aged about 60 years. wife 53 very sickly 3 Children residing with him. 1 Boy 21 years old. 1 Girl 11 years old. the other about 23 years old Signed by [signed] Moses Self

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse lists a soldier named Moses Self/ age 20/ height 5′ 10¼″/ brown hair/ grey eyes/ planter/ born and residing in Northumberland County where he was drafted on 25 May 1782 for 18 months. Sized 3 June 1782.

On 26 Aug 1839 Nancy Self, age 69, applied for a pension stating that she married Moses Self in 1785, and he died on 14 Mar 1835. Jemimah Woolard, 71, stated that a few days before her marriage to Moses Self, Nancy Smith had "requested of me to wait on her as Bridesmaid which I did and went with her to Parson Gibbions and saw the said Nancey and Moses lawfully married, I returned with and waited on them the Balance of the day which was about the first of October 1785."