Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Salmon W26952 Sally f42VA
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State of New York Genesee County, SS

On this 22nd day of April 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the judges of the court of common pleas for the County of Genesee in the state of New York, personally appears John Salmon age at 58 years, resident in Groveland [?] in the said County of Genesee, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, 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 the said John Salmon enlisted in the month of May 1778 at Northumberland in the State of Pennsylvania in the company commanded by Captain William Wilson of the 1st Pennsylvania Regiment – that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States, until January 14th, 1781 when he was discharged from service in Trenton in the State of New Jersey that he was in the battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], and various skirmishes and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; a proof of which service will appear by the enclosed Discharge

S/ John Salmon

Genesee County [New York], SS – On this 17th day of June 1820, personally appeared in open Court, (being a Court of Record,) John Salmon aged 60 years, resident in the town of Leicester in said County, who being 1st duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: three years in Captain Wilson's Company of Infantry Regiment Pennsylvania Line commanded by Colonel Chambers in Captain Parrs Company in Colonel Morgan's Regiment of Riflemen, was discharged in February 1780. That his Declaration was dated April 22, 1818 and his Certificate is numbered 8860

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 Inventory or Schedule

Real estate, I have none

Personal Property, 1 sheep, 1 table, 1 small writing desk, 1 bread tray, 1 pair shovel & tongs, 1 10-gallon iron kettle, 1 2-gallon do, 1 old ax, 1 old hand saw, 1 old saddle, 2 pigs 6 months old, 6 knives & forks, 4 chairs old square frames, 6 plates common earthen, 6 cups and saucers do, 1 teapot sugar bowl & cream cup – 1 wooden pail, 1 small pair steelyards, 1 teakettle, 1 iron wedge, 1 pitchfork, 1 hoe, 4 small clevies [?], 3 dry casks.

I have a debt due to me from William Hascall of Mount Morris (doubtful) \$16 I am polling debts to the following persons viz. Jerome Curtis of Linsley [?]

Peter Palmer & Michael Johnson

\$16

And the deponent further says he is a farmer by occupation but that he never has been a healthy person and that he has not been able to do but very little labor & that of the lightest kind for several years past. That he has a wife named Sarah aged about 55 years and one daughter aged 18 years named Deborah – and that the necessary wearing apparel & Bedding for himself and family do not exceed the sum of \$50 in value.

S/ John Salmon

[f p. 33]

This is to certify that the Bearer John Solomon [sic] having served in the first Regiment of Pennsylvania during the term of his Enlistment, is now discharged the Service of the United States of America. Given at Trenton this 14th day of January 1782.

John [indecipherable]

H 18 is to certify that the Bearer

Regiment of Founfalvania during the Term of his Enlistement, is now discharged the Service of the United Spaces of America. Given at

this Day of 1781.

[f p. 11: In Livingston County New York, Sally Salmon, a resident of Groveland in Livingston County, aged 77, in the month of April last past, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of John Salmon, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was married to him May 14, 1782 in Northumberland County Pennsylvania by a Justice of the Peace; that she now has 5 living children who are also the children of John Salmon that their names are John, now living at Broken Strand in the State of Pennsylvania, Margaret wife of Jonathan Doty now living in Rochester Monroe County New York, Nancy wife of Jerome [indecipherable last name, could be "Curtis"] now living in the state of Michigan, Sally Kittle, widow of Simeon Kittle living in Mount Morris; Mary, widow of William Jones now living with deponent. She signed her application with her mark.]

[f p. 9: Affidavit given by Sally Kittle, widow of Simon Kittle, aged nearly 56, and Mary Jones, widow of William Jones, aged nearly 54, stating that they are the children of John Salmon now

¹ In summarizing the contents of this file, the War Department staff read this name as Jerome Curtis.

deceased and Sally Salmon, his widow; that they were born in the County of Northumberland in Pennsylvania

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[facts in file: Widow's maiden name was Sarah (Sally) Wilson, born April 1764; veteran died in Groveland, NY November 12, 1837.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 22, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Pennsylvania and Virginia Continental service. Veteran's wife was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836.]