Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Stiles W4820 Lucy fn71GA
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On this day the 27th of December 1830 personally appeared in Open court It being a Court of pleas and quarter Sessions for Haywood County State of North Carolina John Stiles aged 74 years against the first day of February next who being first duly sworn according to law, on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818, and the 1st of May 1820 that he the said John Stiles enlisted for the term of one year on the 4th day of March in the year 1776 or 1777 in the State of Georgia in the company commanded by Captain John Green in the Regiment commanded by Colonels Joseph Harris and Habersham on the Continental Establishment. That he continued to serve in said Corps until the 4th day of April in the year 1777 or 1778 being 13 months in the said Service, when he was discharged in the Town of Savannah in the State of Georgia by Colonel Habersham. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present going back to the 5th day of April 1826, the date of his first declaration. That his name is not on the Roll of any State except the present roll, and that the following all the reasons for not making Earlier application for a pension is that while he was able to labor and maintain his family he would not apply for a pension, But having become poor & needy, and actuated as he thinks to a Just right to a support from his Country which he assisted to defend, And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court, It being a Court of record this 27th day of December A.D. 1830

S/ John Stiles, X his mark

He Schedule of John Stiles property (to wit)

A Lease of 100 acres of land during life the land of only common quality much worn & in dispute under Suit

Two head of horse Creatures one a mare & the other a colt worth about 50 or perhaps \$55, 6 head of cattle (to wit) 2 cows & calves & 2 yearlings worth perhaps \$22, a debt of \$8 in the State of Georgia, and that he is indebted to Messrs. Robert Loor & John B. Lore perhaps to the amount of \$50 or more for necessaries heretofore had to support on --

He has no family but himself & his wife an old woman very infirm and debilitated & himself unable to labor from old age, and that no change has taken place in his property since the 18th of March 1818 except the sale of one horse creature to procure necessaries to support on The Value of the lease of land may perhaps be worth \$20 per annum if unencumbered.

Sworn to the above Schedule in open Court it being a Court of record the 27th of December A.D. 1830

S/ John Stiles, X his mark

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Georgia Campbell County: Personally appeared before me John Fluker ¹who after being sworn deposeth and saith that he was personally acquainted with John Stiles in the revolutionary Army at said styles enlisted as a Soldier for twelve months in the first Battalion that was raised in the State of Georgia in 1776 commanded by General Lachlan McIntosh. The said styles was enlisted by Lieutenant Ignatius Few and attached to Captain John Green's Company in said Battalion this deponent further saith that the said styles served the term of service and was honorably discharged.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22nd of August 1831 S/ George Lawrence, JP S/ John Fluker

[fn p. 10: certificate of the Haywood County clerk of court stating that there is a record of the marriage in his office between John Stiles and Lucy Beasley in the form of a marriage bond taken out January 27, 1819 2 secure the marriage of John Stiles to Lucy Beasley, a widow.]

[fn p. 12: on September 19, 1853 in Jackson County North Carolina Lucy Stiles, 77, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of John Stiles, a pensioner at the rate of \$8 per month for his services in the revolution; that she married him in February 1819 and that he died October 17, 1834; and that she remains his widow.]

[Facts in file: Sarah Guilliams testified that John Stiles and his wife Lucy were married by Charles Stiles a Methodist Minister.]

[fn p. 22: On June 12, 1866 in union County Georgia, Mrs. Angus Partin [also spelled Parton], 60, a resident of union County Georgia filed a claim stating she is the daughter of Lucy Stiles (widow of John Stiles); that her mother died June 29, 1861 survived by 3 children namely Agnes Partin, Sarah Quillian and William Beasly.]

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¹ John Fluker S16382