Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Tomlin W6302 Jane f33VA
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State of Virginia Clarke County: SS

On this the 25th day of May 1840, personally appeared before the court of the County and State above named, at its May term, Jane Tomlin, a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy-six years the 19th day of June last past, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows" – That she is the widow of John Tomlin, who was a private soldier in the Army of the United States, during the war of the Revolution, and served as stated in the deposition of Daniel Anderson, which is intended to accompany this declaration – She further declares that she was married to the said John Tomlin on the 7th day of August 1784, and that he the said John Tomlin died (as she has been credibly informed, as she very believes) sometime during the late war with Great Britain, while he was engaged in the military Service of the United States; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, viz.: At the time above stated, and that she was never married afterwards. In testimony of said marriage she offers the original family record in connection with the testimony of Daniel Anderson – She further states, that the reason why she has not before made application for a pension is, that she knew nothing of the pension laws until a short time before the date of Daniel Anderson's deposition, and since then, adverse circumstances have prevented her from attending the Court – She further declares that her name is not on the pension list of any State and has no documentary record of the service alluded to. S/ Jane Tomlin, X her mark

[family record:

George Tomlin Son of John Tomlin and Jane his wife was Born October ye [illegible] in the year of our Lord 1784

Elizabeth Tomlin Daughter of John Tomlin and Jane his Wife was born November ye [illegible] in the Year of our Lord 1785

William Tomlin Son of John Thomas and Jane his Wife was born April ye 5th Day in the year of our Lord 1787

Reuben Tomlin Son of John Tomlin and Jane his Wife was born June ye 17th day in the year of our Lord 1789

Mary Tomlin Daughter of John Tomlin and Jane his Wife was born February 9th Day in the year of our Lord 1791

Sarah Tom[balance of injury is illegible]

John Tom [balance of entry is illegible]

John Tomlin was Born March ye 15th day of [indecipherable word interlineated] in the year of our Lord 1763 and was married August ye 7 Day A. D. 1784

Jane Chamblin his wife who was born June ye 19th Day in the year of our Lord [illegible]

[f p. 27: certificate signed by the clerk of the Frederick County Virginia court stating that he has searched the records in his office and found no record of the marriage of John Tomlin in the year 1784.]

[f p. 28]

State of Virginia Page County: SS

On this the 19th day of November 1839, before me Elias Overall a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State above named personally appeared Daniel Anderson¹ a resident of the County and State aforesaid, and made oath in due form of law, that John Tumblin (or Tomlin) was a soldier of the United States during the war of the Revolution, and that the said Tomlin (or Tumblin) enlisted under Captain Charles Porterfield in Daniel Morgan's Regiment in the year 1777, he cannot state positively whether he enlisted for three years or during the war but he knows he did not serve less than three years, and he thinks he served till the close of the war — The deponent further states that he was in the same service with the said Tomlin or Tumblin and is under the impression that he enlisted him. He also states that he was well acquainted with said Tomlin or Tumblin for several years after the close of war and after the said Tumblin or Tomlin lived with Jane Tomlin as her husband and he is satisfied that they were legally married, and that he never heard the legality of the marriage doubted, and is fully satisfied that the said Jane is the legal widow of the said Tomblin [sic] or Tumlin [sic].

S/ Daniel Anderson, X his mark

In presence of Thomas R Saunders Sworn to and subscribed the day and date above before me. S/ Elias Overall

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband's service as a private in the Virginia service.]

¹ Daniel Anderson S37677