Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Christopher Wilmore W6557 Peggy fn32VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 10/1/11

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Virginia, Caroline County to wit

On this 19th day of May 1818 before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the General Court of Virginia and Judge of the Superior Court of Law for Caroline County, now in session personally appeared Christopher Wilmore aged ___ years, resident in the County of King & Queen in said State who being first duly sworn in open Court 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"

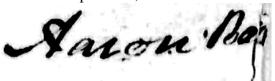
That he the said Christopher Wilmore enlisted with Captain Philip Pendleton in King & Queen County in the State of Virginia, in August 1780 in the company commanded by Captain of the Regiment of Artillery commanded by Colonel Harrison __; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States until after the taking of Cornwallis this on 14 November 1781, when he was discharged from service in Cumberland County (the Barracks) in the State of Virginia –, that he was in the Battles of the Siege of York, where he served under Captain Whitehead Coleman and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the annexed affidavit of Aaron Ball & the certificate of Fogg & Lafon – Sworn to and declared before me the day & year aforesaid in open Court.

S/Wm Brockenbrough

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Essex County Sct.

Aaron Ball¹ of Lawful age made oath that Christopher Wilmore was a Soldier of the Revolutionary Waugh [War], that he first became acquainted with him at Chesterfield Court House, that he understood he was from the County of King & Queen, that he was under the command of Colonel Davis, and that they were then together under different commands until the surrender of Cornwallis at the Siege of York-Town – and that Whitehead Coleman late of the County of Essex commanded at the Surrender – April 10th, 1818



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¹ FPA S37697

[fn p. 30: James Fogg² and Francis Lafon certify that they believe Wilmore to have been a soldier of the Revolution.

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At a quarterly Court held for King and Queen County at the Courthouse on Monday the 14th of August 1820

Christopher Wilmore appeared in Court and made oath to a written affidavit and Schedule annexed and of his occupation &c which is ordered to be recorded and is in the following words and figures to wit "Virginia King and Queen County. On this 14th day of August 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the County of King & Queen Christopher Wilmore aged fifty-eight years resident in the County of King & Queen who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war in the Regiment of Artillery commanded by Colonel Harrison in the company commanded by Captain James Pendleton in the line of Virginia, that the Original declaration made by him was on the __ day of __ in the year of __ and his pension Certificate is No. __. 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

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² Probably the same man as FPA S3367

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

Schedule

50 acres of Land, one Roane mare, 2 cows & 2 calves, one heifer or yearling – one Sow and 6 pigs, 6 shoats, 12 Geese, 5 Dunhill fowls, 3 Cyder casks, 5 Tubs, 2 earthen ware dishes, one pewter basin & 6 pewter spoons, 6 plates, 2 stone fat pots, one oven, one bread Baker, 4 hoes, 3 axes, 6 chairs, one table, one wooden chest, 2 water pails, one Piggin, one tub, 6 knives & forks, 2 baskets, one plough break, 3 plough hoes & one iron wedge

S/ Christopher Wilmore³

My occupation is farming but from infirmity I am unable to do much work, I have 6 in family Peggy my wife aged 58 years (also infirm), Peggy Willmore my daughter aged about 27 years, Polly aged 24 years & Sally will more aged 17 years can spin & weave, Kitty Wilmore aged 6 years and John Aitkins [sic, John Atkins?] aged 3 years the last 2 are on the parish, & all provided for accordingly

Sworn to and declared by the said Christopher Wilmore on the 14th day of August 1820 before the County Court of King & Queen.

S/ Robert Pollard, CC

[fn p. 6: On November 29, 1838 in King & Queen County Virginia, Peggy Wilmore, aged 78, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Christopher where more, a revolutionary war pensioner for his service under Captain James Pendleton and Captain John Pollard; that they were married in the month of August 1783; that her husband died in August 1822 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 19, 1818 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$62.50 since per annum commencing March 4th, 1836 for her husband's 15 months service as a private in the Artillery of the Virginia Continental line]

³ The signature attached in this document appears to me to be in the handwriting of the scribe and therefore not the original signature of the veteran himself.