Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Samuel Stewart W7220

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State of Virginia Surry county Sct.

On this 24th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Surry county in open court now sitting Samuel Steward (a Free Negroe) a resident of the said county aged 74 years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of congress passed June the 7th 1832 That being a native & resident of Surry county in the state of Virginia he enlisted in the Regular service for Two Years under the comand of Capt John Steed in the said county in the 4th Virginia Regiment Col Jack nevil [sic: John Neville] Maj Mulingburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] being of that Regiment marched from surry under command of capt Steed to Vally Fourge [sic: Valley Forge, winter quarters 1777-78] near Philadelphia from thence to Monmouth [NJ] thence to West Point [NY] from thence to Camp Middlebrook was then discharged had a written discharge but lost it or distroyed long since was in no battle but the one at Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] cannot be particular as to dates or names as his memory is impared by age &c & that after his term of Regular service he served a tour in the militia service & was at York in the siege of that Place [Yorktown VA, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]

Samuel hisXmark Stewart

Surry county State of Virginia 24th september 1832

This day James Bailey of Surry county a soldier of the Revolution [pension application S6577] appeared in open court and made oath to the following affidavit and the court do hereby certify that the said James Bailey is a man of Respectability and entitled to full credit. The said Bailey states that the within applicant Samuel Stewart a (Free Negroe) was reputed to be a Regular soldier during the revolution for he knew him when he returned from the north after his time of inlistment had expired. That he (Bailey) had relations whom he has heard state that the said Samuel Stewart was with them in the Regular army and that he knows of his own knowledge that the said Sam Stewart was in the militia service at York Town as a Drummer at the siege of yorktown virginia. [signed] James Bailey. He [Stewart] hereby relinquishes his every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & he hereby declares that his name is not on the pension rool of any agency in any state or territory. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

NOTE: On 1 Jan 1855 Lucy Stewart, 70, applied for a pension stating that as Lucy Scott she married Samuel Stewart on 13 Oct 1808, and he died 8 Jan 1835. Her application was supported by affidavits of George A. Bailey and William M. West. On 27 Mar 1855 she applied for bounty land.