Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Robinson Ross W8556 Sarah Ross MD Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

District of West Tennessee ss

On this 19 of Dec'r. 1819 Before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court for the state of Ten'e. aforesaid

Personally appeared Robinson Ross aged sixty years resident in Maury County in said District, who being by me first sworn according to Law doth 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 That he the said Robinson Ross enlisted for the Term of one year & six months on the 15 day of July in the year 1780. Cambridge in the state of Meriland in the company commanded by Capt [George] Armstrong of the Regiment commanded by Colonel [John] Stewart or Col. Williams under Gen'l Nathaniel Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] in the line of the state of Meriland on the continental establishment. that he continued to serve in the said Corps or in the service of the United States untill the 20th of August 1783 when he was discharged from service in Anapolis [sic: Annapolis] in the state of Meriland Col. Aleston then commanded. That he was in the Battles of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781], Siege of Ninety Six [SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] 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 service.

Robinson hisXmark Ross

District of West Tennessee ss.

Circuit Court for the County of Maury in the 6th Judicial Circuit

On this 18th day of June 1821 personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of Record for the said County Robertson Ross aged 62 years, resident in Maury County in said Circuit, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows Enlisted in 1780 in 3rd Maryland Regiment, then commanded by Colo Williams [Otho Holland Williams], afterwards transferred to the 1st Regiment commanded by Col Eggleston [sic: John Eccleston] & Captain Reveyle's [sic: Francis Reveley BLWt261-300] Company served three years Original declaration made 29th Dec'r. 1819 Pension certificate dated 12th of June 1820 Registered in Book B Vol. 10 Page 201

Ad 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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 one mare 13 or 14 years old 10 head of hogs 16 geese not more than 1 dozen chickens two plows 2 axes 1 hoe 1 indifferent bed & furniture 1 old table 4 chairs such as they are 1 pot 1 kitle 1 small oven 5 plates 1 dish 5 knives 6 forks 1 cotton wheel 1 flax wheel 1 small looking glass 3 pales[?] 1 razor & hone 1 plain bridle 1 pair of chains 1 young [undeciphered] which is all the property what he has of every discription & he 27 dollars Roberson hisXmark Ross

District of West Tennessee Maury County.

On this 28th day of January 1822 Roberson Ross personally appeard in open court before the Justices of the Court of pleas and quarter sessions for s'd county being a court of Record so declared by By an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee. said Ross being sixty three years of age

resident in Maury county in s'd District of West Tennessee who being first duly sworn doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war that he inlisted under Lieutenant [William] Woolford in Dauchester [sic: Dorchester] County State of Maryland. he then marched to the State of North Carolina, where he joind capt Armstrongs company of the third Regiment commanded by Col. Williams, some fiew days before the Battle of Gilford and was in said Batle, capt. Armstrong was killed at the siege of Ninty six and he was transfered to Capt. Tilmans company of the first Regiment commanded by col. Stewart some time afterward he joind a volunteer core of light infantry commanded by Capt. Revilee in the s'd firt Regiment, where he remaind untill the close of the war when he was Honerable discharged at Anapolis in the State of Maryland, by col. Eagleston, [oath similar to the above follows] clothing none whatever, excepting my necessary clothing & beding, one mare & colt 15 years old fifteen head of hoggs, Ninteen gees not more than one Doz Chikking, two plows two axes, one hoe, one old table, four chairs one pot, one kittle one small oven, five plates one dish, five knives, six forks, one cotton wheel, one flax wheel, one loom, one small looking glass, one old chest, three pates, one Razer, one Hone, one plain Bridle, and a debt due him nine dollars, also he is indebted \$42

And the said Ross further states, that he lives on the land of John Lovin[?] (which [undeciphered word]) he has a wife upwards of fifty five and seven children four boys & three girl of which has left him but two boys and one girl, the eldest that lives with him is 14 and the other 12. the girl, that lives with him is 10 years of age His wife is verry infirm, and he, the s'd Ross is verry infirm and with all afflicted with the palsey he has been placed on the pension list already by certificate issued by the Hon'r. J. C. Calhoon [sic: John C. Calhoun] dated the 12th June 1820 & numbered 17,484

NOTE: On 19 Jan 1849 Sarah Ross, 76, of Calloway County KY, applied for a pension stating that as Sarah Triger she married Robinson Ross on 1792 in "Dorsett" County MD, and he died on 8 July 1845. Witnesses stated that their oldest child was James Ross aged 54 on the previous July 1.