

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Taylor W873

Milly [Milla, Mildred]

f47VA

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[f p. 12]

State of Tennessee Sumner County: Court August Term 1829

Original Claim County of Sumner State of Tennessee on this 18th day of August 1829 personally appeared before me William M Carter an acting justice of the peace for the County of Sumner Thomas Taylor resident of 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 provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 that he the said Thomas Taylor enlisted for the term of two years on the __day of February in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Everett Mud [probably Everard Meade] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Alexander Spotswood in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in the said Corps until the 14th of February 1778 when he was discharged from the service in Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That his name is not on the pension roll of any State and that the following are the reason for not making earlier application for a pension that he had a parcel of sons living with him from whose labor together with his own he could make out to live without applying to his government. That his sons have all left him with the exception of one and that he will do so in a short time and that he himself owing to age and the infirmities incident to it is unable to support his family and in pursuance of the Act 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 the following is a schedule of my property one hundred acres of land, two horses, eight head of sheep, nineteen small shoats, one bedstead and furniture, five pieces of cupboard furniture, his occupation is that of a farmer and that he is unable to pursue it he has in his family a wife 63 years of age two daughters unmarried Polly and Anna the first about 30 years of age the latter about 27, one son William 19 years of age a grandson whom he has raised from about nine days old and who is now about eight years old age that since the 18th day of March 1818 there has been no changes in his property either by deed, gift, sale or otherwise

S/ Thomas Taylor

Thomas Taylor

[f p 6: On May 26, 1840 in Sumner County Tennessee, Milly or Mildred Taylor, aged 75, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Thomas Taylor a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$96 per annum for his service in the revolution; that she married him November 10, 1785; that her husband died December 17, 1839 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark]

[f p 10: record of the marriage of Thomas Taylor and Milla Marcum December 29, 1785 in Cumberland County Virginia.]

[f p 5: family record:

John Taylor son of Thomas & Milly Taylor was born September 27, 1786

Polley Taylor was born March third day 1788

James Taylor was born August 18th day 1789

Thomas Taylor was born March seventh day 1791

Betsey Taylor was born March 16th day 1794

Anney Taylor was born August sixth day 1797

Gerard Taylor was born May 14th day 1801

Jonathan Taylor was born July 16 day 1803]

[f p 7: Samuel C. Taylor (grandson of the veteran) verified the above family record as being taken from the family Bible and being in the handwriting of Thomas Taylor.]

[f p 40: Jarratt E. Taylor testified on June three, 1843 in Monroe County Kentucky that he was then 71 years of age; that he is the brother of Thomas Taylor a revolutionary war pensioner and resident of Sumner County Tennessee at the time of his death; that he, affiant, was a little over 13 years old when Thomas and Milly Malcolm were married about the latter part of 1785 by Parson McCreary or McCrea in Cumberland County Virginia

Jarratt E Taylor

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing February 11, 1830, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.