

S/ Wm Hill

State of Tennessee Hawkins County

Be it remembered that at the November Session 1820 of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Hawkins County Eli McVay an applicant for a pension filed his declaration in the words and figures following to wit

State of Tennessee Hawkins County: November Stationed 1820

On this 27th day of November 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for said County Eli McVay resident of the County of Claiborne State of Tennessee aged about 57 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows in the Regiment commanded by Col. Lytle in the company commanded by Capt. Hall in the North Carolina line that he enlisted under Capt. Dixon in the Continental establishment and that he served 3 years in said Service that his original declaration was made out at the November session 1818 of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Hawkins in said State that he has now in his possession issued from the War Department of Number 14 842 to which original Declaration this declarant refers for a more particular account of his services 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 other wise 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 viz 1 cow \$10.00 4 head of hogs \$8.00 6 pewter plates and one pewter dish \$3.00 6 Japanesed Tumblers \$0.75 4 wooden stools and one sifter \$0.75 3 or 4 spoons 4 knives and 5 forks \$0.50 one sugar bowl one coffee pot \$1.00 one paper box 3 or 4 cups and saucers \$0.50 total amount \$24.75 that I am by occupation a common laborer and am not now able to obtain a subsistence by my daily labor being frequently afflicted with the Rheumatism and laboring under a considerable debility. That I have a wife aged about 48 years who is of a weak Constitution 2 children a boy aged about Ten the other a boy and about 7 years –

Sworn to and subscribed in Open court

S/ Eli McVay

[fn pp. 84-85 is another application, this one dated May 18, 1821, almost word for word the same as the one filed in 1820. It is that clear why this application was required.]

[Facts in file and Eli McVay married Mildred Brooks in Prince Edward County Virginia in around 1787; veteran died September 30, 1830; Mildred McVay died April 18, 1850; in Claiborne County, Tenn., on September 1, 1851, Daniel B. McVay filed a claim stating that he was the son and only heir of Mildred McVay; on February 15, 1839 in Claiborne County, Daniel and James McVay claimed to be the heirs of Eli McVay.]