Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Aaron Snowden W9665¹ Transcribed by Will Graves Easter

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Territory of Florida Weston District Walton County: SS

On this 19th day of November in the year of our Lord 1833 personally appeared before the Superior Court for the Territory and District aforesaid & for the County of Walton Aaron Snowden a resident of the County of Escambia and the Territory and District aforesaid aged sixty-six 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 7th 1832.

That said Aaron Snowden served as a volunteer in the Continental Army of the United States under General Marion Colonel Lemuel Benton Lieutenant Colonel Maurice Murphy, Major John Stannard and Captain Thomas Evans. That he entered the service in May 1781 and left it in June 1782 after having served thirteen months. That he volunteered in the Cheraw District in South Carolina. In the course of his service he marched through the State of South Carolina to what was then called the Bowling Green and thence to Santee near Charleston where he was discharged by a Captain Hogan. That during the said thirteen months he was not employed in any civil pursuit. That he has lost his discharge. That in consequence of his having left the state in which his services were rendered he is unable to procure any witness to establish his said services and that his application is now made to this Hon court sitting in Walton County (although the said Snowden has lately removed to Escambia in the adjoining County) because the persons who have best known him for many years past reside in Walton County where also the said Snowden has resided until the first day of April last and where alone he can hope to procure the traditionary evidence required by law.

Said Aaron Snowden hereby releases every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any State or (if any) only on that of the Agency in the State of South Carolina. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open Court

S/ H. G. Ramsay, Clerk S/ Aaron Snowden

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The said Aaron Snowden being duly sworn in open Court further says that he was born in the State of Virginia on Roanoke River. That he has no record of his age there was one as he has been told but it was burnt in a house burnt by the Tories. When called into service he was living

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in Cheraw District South Carolina. Since the war he lived in South Carolina until about twenty years ago then he moved into Georgia, Thence he removed to Florida and that he is known in Walton County to Nicholas Mitchell, Hull Jones and others who can testify to his veracity.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court this 19th of November 1833.S/ H. G. Ramsay, ClerkS/ Aaron Snowden[Nicholas Mitchell & Hull Jones gave a separate standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 16: On October 24, 1856 in Santa Rosa County Florida, Easter Snowden, 78, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Aaron Snowden; she states she married him in Rockingham County North Carolina in February 1797; they were married by William Clark, JP; that her name prior to her marriage was Easter Webster; that her husband died in Santa Rosa County Florida in April 1845 and he was a revolutionary war pensioner at the time of his death.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service in the South Carolina militia. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing February 3, 1853, for her husband service as a private in the South Carolina service.]