

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Adams BLReg254310-1855

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State of Tennessee } SS

Henderson County }

On this day the 14th[?] of May Eighteen hundred and fifty six personally apper before me Stephen Massengill a Justice of the peace within and for the county and state aforsaid Sarah Adams aged 71 years a resident of McNary [sic: McNairy] County tennessee and after first being duly sworn by me according to law declares that she is the widow of William Adams who was a privit in the company com by Capt Holt Richerson [sic: Lt. Col. Holt Richeson] in the 17th Regiment com by Col Alexander McClenahan [sic: 7th Regiment commanded by Alexander McClenachan] in the Revolutionary war and that her husban the said william adams elisted for the term of three years in king william county virginia and continued in atul servis in said war three years and was honorably discharged at yorktown virginia on or about the 1st of January 1782 as will apper by a copy of recorde evedence herwith presented wich you are respectfully refurd to the said Sarah adams delars that she was marrid to the said william adams deceased on the 10th day of December 1832 by adam Miller Esqr at her farthers residents Bedford county tennessee and that her name before her said marriedge was Sarah Lee and that her husban the said william adams died at his residents Missori New Madrid county on the 10th of december 1837 and that she has never marrid sence that time and is still his identical widow at the preseant time all of wich will more fully apper by witnesses accompanying this declarration She Maks this declarration for the perpose of obtaining the bounty land that she may be entiteled to under and act of congress approved on the third day of March 1853 granting bounty land to the officers and soldiers of the Revaluationary war and that that she nor her husban has never recived boutny under this nor any other act of Congress nor made applications for the same before the one now presented She apoints Willis N Arnold her lawfull attorney for her to recive her warrant when the same may be issud in testimony I have herunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written

[signed] Sarah Adams