Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Austin R325
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State of South Carolina }
District of Union }

On this twenty fourth day of June in the year eighteen hundred & forty personally appeared before the Court of Ordinary, for Union District in the State of South Carolina, in open court the declarant Polly Austin, a resident of [unclear: probably Fairforest] Creek in Union District & State of South Carolina aged seventy eight years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled, An act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows, That she is the widow of John Austin who was an enlisted soldier in the war of the revolution from the State of Virginia & served to the close of the war: She further states, that her late husband was the oldest of five brothers [page torn] resided when he enlisted in Pyttsylvania [sic: Pittsylvania] County in the State of Virginia, where all the family resided; but none joined the army to the knowledge of this delcarant except her late husband John Austin. She further declares that she was married to the said John Austin on the (11th) eleventh day of September in the year (1788) seventeen hundred & eighty eight, that her husband the aforesaid John Austin died on the fourth day of October in the year seventeen hundred & twenty seven, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January seventeen hundred & ninety four viz at the time above stated as will more fully appear from a record of marriage in my late husband's hand writing which has always been preserved in my possession and herewith sent.

Sworn to & subscribed on the day & year above written before me

Polly herXmark Austin

NOTE:

The following entry is in a small religious book: John Austin was marryed Sept 11 1788

On 8 Feb 1853 Nancy Austin assigned power of attorney to claim any benefits for the service of her father, John Austin.