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Pension Application of Anthony Fitchpatrick R3588 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 7 Feb 2014.

State of Indiana }
County of Clinton } S.S. I, James Fitchpatrick, son, and Heir at Law of Anthony Fitchpatrick, do, upon oath, testify, and declare, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that Anthony Fitchpatrick, did enter the service in 1780 for the terme of twelve months, and served as a private in the regiment No. [blank] under the Command of Colonel Dark [William Darke], of the [blank] line; and that he Continued in the Service aforesaid untill the Expiration of one years service, I further declare, that the said Anthony Fitchpatrick never received a pension for said service under any act of Congress nor did he ever assign or transfer his Claim in any manner Whatsoever, that the said Anthony Fitchpatrick, and his wife Nancy Viney was married, in the County of Hardy in the State of Virginia on the [blank] day of August 1770 that the said Anthony died, in the County of Washington, Nov. AD 1842. that his wife died in the County of Washington 1808 that they left the following named living children towit Bartholomew and James Who respectfully pray that they receive pension under the Act of June 7th 1832.

[signed 15 Feb 1855] James Fitchpatrick

NOTES:

A letter in the file from James Fitchpatrick's agent, dated 1 March 1855, includes the following: "I have informed [James Fitchpatrick] by letter it is of no use, unless, 1st Capt Byars roll shows he was the Soldier who performed the service, he relys on his Contract with the Substitute, and the fact of receiving the discharge in his own name. I Informed him he could not obtain the bounty Land. The Substitute and not he was entitled, and If David Lawless did perform the service, he Lawless has Claimed from Arkansas, for service in Snt[?] Drydens Co & Wylie Jones Co. at Norfolk." I could find no claim by a David Lawless, or any record of an officer named Wylie Jones.

On 26 June 1857 James Fitchpatrick stated that his father, Anthony Fitchpatrick, "was in the Battle of Yorktown & the Surrender of Cornwallis," referring to the Siege of Yorktown and the surrender of Cornwallis there on 19 Oct 1781.

A letter in the file by Samuel L. Logan of Blountville TN dated 21 July 1857 includes the following: "The Rev'd. John B Logan a cousin of ours and Presbyterian Minister at this place, was on a visit a few weeks since to Indiana to see his father-in-law, Fitzpatrick. He informed Logan that his father – Anthony Fitzpatrick was an old soldier enlisted from some part of Eastern Va."

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Heirs of Nancy Viney Fitchpatrick and Anthony Fitchpatrick alleged that their parents were married in Hardy County Virginia in 1770, that Anthony died in Washington County Virginia in Nov 1843 and that Anthony Fitchpatrick served one year under a Colonel Darke in the revolution. Various depositions, powers of attorney, and letters from Clinton County Indiana and Abingdon Virginia into the 1880s failed to show precise details, to produce a witness, or to locate any documentary evidence in Virginia official records. The application for a pension was repeatedly rejected.