

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Sampson Harp R4623

Sarah

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State of Tennessee Overton County: On this 26 day of March 1849 personally appeared before me Ormel Fisk an acting Justice of the peace for the said County Sarah Harp aged ninety-four years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to have or obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4, 1836 for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary war of the United States of America granting half pay to the widows and orphans where their husbands and Fathers have died first she states that she is the widow of Sampson Harp that her husband Sampson Harp served a tower [tour] in the Revolutionary war of three months as a Militia Soldier previous to her Marriage She thinks he served under a Captain by the name of Bush he returned and they were married in a short time after in the year 1778 they then lived in Granville County State of North Carolina. She states that after their marriage he was drafted the second time and that he hired a man by the name of Daniel Lockerbie to serve that term and about or some time before the close of the war he was drafted a third time and was in service when peace was made. She states that her husband died of something like the consumption in the year 1828 and that she still as his widow and that he left her poor hand destitute. She had no children under age at his death. She has no recollection of any battles he was in or Counties he marched through. She has no record evidence to prove anything but her marriage which was the 20th of October. She thinks the General name was Malbery but the great length of time has removed from her memory all of the particulars.

S/ Sarah Harp, X her Mark

State of Tennessee Overton County

On this 23rd day of March 1849 personally appeared before us Willis Holdford & Daniel Johnson to Justices of the peace William Hart a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged eighty-two or three who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration that Sarah Harp the applicant for the half pay for her husband Sampson Harp is a

resident of Overton County State of Tennessee and that her Sarah Harp and Sampson Harp was lawfully married together that the said Sampson Harp served a tower of three months as a private in the revolutionary war came home and married his wife Sarah and went out the second time the term of service is not recollected about the close of the war the officers names not recollected.

S/ Wm Harp

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wm Harp". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Wm Harp".