Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Reuben Minor R7261
Transcribed by Will Graves

Mary Minor

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State of Virginia County of Caroline: SS

On this 11th day of January A.D. 1854 personally appeared before me, Ira White, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Mrs. Mary Minor, aged 74 years, a resident of the County of King and Queen in the State of Virginia, 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 on the 2nd of February, 1848, granting Pensions to widows of Persons who served during the Revolutionary war. She is the widow of Reuben Minor deceased who enlisted in said War for the term of ___ years and served his time fully out. That he enlisted about the year as a private in the Virginia State line under the command of Captain James Ouarles (company of Foot) in the 2nd Regiment of said line. commanded by Colonel William Brent in General Muhlenberg's Brigade. She further declares, That she was never pensioned, under the aforesaid Act, nor any other act of Congress, nor has she ever made application therefore. She further declares that she was married to the said Reuben Minor deceased on the 11th day of September in the year 1799; that her said husband, the aforesaid Reuben Minor, died on the 20th day of January in the year 1832; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1800, viz., at the time above stated, and that there is no private or public record of said marriage. That it was not then the custom of Virginia to record publicly marriages. She further declares that she is still a widow and the widow of the said Reuben Minor deceased.

Test: S/ Thomas H Richerson

S/ Mary Minor, X her mark

S/Eliza Acree

The Affidavit of Coleman Minor, taken at his house, in the County of King and Queen in the State of Virginia, on the 9th day of March A.D. 1854, before John Lumpkin a Justice of the Peace, in and for said County. This Affiant being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath state, That he was born and raised in the County aforesaid, and is 83 years of age. That although not in the war of the Revolution himself, yet he has a distinct recollection of that eventful period and many incidents attending it. That he knows of his own personal knowledge that his Brother Reuben Minor deceased was drafted in that war for the term of ___ Years, and served his time fully out. That he was drafted about the Year ___, under Captain __and was attached to a company commanded by Captain James Quarles in the 2nd Regiment commanded by Colonel William Brent in General Muhlenberg's Brigade. That after the expiration of the said war, the said Reuben his Brother married Mary Aylett – and resided in the said County of King and Queen up to the day of his death, which took place about the 20th day of January A.D. 1832; that the said Mary Minor, survived his Brother, and is now alive and resides in the aforesaid County

of King and Queen, and has not since intermarried with any other person. S/ Coleman Minor

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