Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Roger Rees R8672 Rebecca fn17NC
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State of Tennessee County of Dyer: SS

On this 25th day of November in the year 1853 personally appeared before me an acting Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid Murphy Rees aged 67 years a resident of Dyer County in the State of Tennessee who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 and of the 4th of July 1836, That he is a son of Roger Rees deceased late a Private Soldier in the Company commanded by Captain Medaris tenth Regiment of North Carolina [several indecipherable words] in the Continental Line of said State of North Carolina in the war of the American Revolution, that his said father Roger Rees deceased entered the service in said Company aforesaid on the ___ day of November A.D. 1777 to serve for the term of three years and actually served in service in said Company until November 1782 a period of three years that he was in the said Continental line for the State of North Carolina all of which will fully appear by reference to the Muster Rolls of said company and the certificate herewith annexed of William Hill Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina which is declared to be [several indecipherable words]. That his said father Robert Rees is now dead, that he died in Wait [sic, Wake?] County and State of North Carolina on the day of A.D. 1798, that he never drew any pension in his life time, that this affiant's mother Rebecca Rees deceased is now also dead that she died in Wilson County and State of Tennessee on the day of A.D. 1833, and that his said deceased Mother Rebecca Rees aforesaid never drew any pension in her lifetime that this affiant has only one brother who is a resident citizen of the County of Gibson and State of Tennessee, that he had a sister [one or more indecipherable words] Betsy now who has not been heard from in many years and it is not known to this affiant whether she is dead or not she is presumed to be dead that this affiant and his brother Alsey Rees aforesaid are the sole and surviving, representatives and Heirs at law of said Roger Rees deceased, that the original certificate of discharge of my said deceased father Roger Rees aforesaid is lost and cannot be found but his service in said company for 3 years is shown by the certificate aforesaid of William Hill Secretary of State here with annexed he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present (or the [indecipherable word or words] to which he is entitled) and declares that his name is not on the Pension Rolls of the Agency of any State that he is a resident citizen of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee and he has come to this County for the reason that he did not know the means for a support in Davidson County State of Tennessee....

Witness: S/ O. J. Lindsy S/ D. J. Williamson

S/ Murphy Rees, X his mark

State of North Carolina, Office of Secretary of State.

I, William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that Roger Rees a private Soldier in Captain Medaris's Company of the 10th Regiment, entered the service on the __ day of November 1779 for the term of 3 years, that a Warrant was issued for 3 years service to the said Roger Reese on the 25th of October 1783, No. 236, drawn by Colonel William Moore.

Given under my hand this 13th day of September 1850 S/Wm Hill, Secretary of State