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Pension application of Daniel Chumley S3152 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee Wilson County

On this 25th day of June 1833 personally appeared in open Court now sitting before the worshipful Bouichat Douglass, James M. Martin and David C. Hibbitts presiding Justices of said Court Daniel Chumley a resident of Wilson County aged seventy-four years according to family tradition having no register of his age, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 -- That he enlisted for three years in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 (as well as he remembers the date from the lapse of time and the failure of his memory) with Robert Rakestraw a recruiting officer of the Regular Army -- he was marched to Alexandria and placed under the command of Capt. Tripplett [Thomas Triplett] -- and was attached to the 16th Virginia Regiment under the command of Col. Gressam [sic, William Grayson] he enlisted in Halifax County Virginia for three years -- he was Sixteen years of age when he entered the service -- from Alexandria they marched into Pennsylvania -- and from there they followed the British into New Jersey and was at the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] -he was attached to the Brigade of General Charles Scott and at the battle of Monmouth was under the command of chief General Washington -- he well remembers that General Lee [Charles Lee] was censored for his conduct in the battle of Monmouth and perhaps deprived of his commission -- after the battle of Monmouth the Troops as well as he remembers returned to Pennsylvania -- they were in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland -- and perhaps a part of Connecticut and New York -- holding themselves in readiness for any emergency in the Northern States for upwards of two years. Declarant was then transferred to the company commanded by Capt. Mitchell and marched to Charleston South Carolina (passing Halifax & Fayetteville in North Carolina) they joined the Southern Army at Charleston under the command of General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] and was at the surrender of Charleston [May 12, 1780] he was then discharged by General Lincoln after having served out the whole length of his term of enlistment of three years. Declarant's memory has greatly failed him -- he was young when he entered the service -- his [sic, he has] little or no knowledge of geography or the names of places -- he cannot read nor write -- he remembers but few of the officers in command he is conscious of having faithfully served for three years and rest his claims on his name being found on the muster rolls -- which he thinks will be found either in Capt. Triplett's company or the Regiment of Col. Grissom or the brigade of General Scott or in the company of Capt. Mitchell who commanded a company of the division sent to South Carolina to reinforce General Lincoln. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension except the present and declares that his

name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

S/ Daniel Chumley, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed in open court before me S/J. S. McClain, Clerk of said county court [George Smith gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]