Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Brown S35794 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Kentucky County of Hopkins Ss.

On this 11th day of May 1829 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record so constituted by Law for the County of Hopkins in the State aforesaid Charles Brown resident in said county aged Seventy Six years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the provisions of the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 that he the said Charles Brown enlisted, for the term of Two Years in the latter part of the year 1775 or first part of the year 1776 not distinctly recollected in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Joseph Spencer in the 7th Regiment commanded by Colonel Woodford in the Line of the State of Virginia on Continental establishment. that he continued to serve in the said Corps Two Years when he was discharged at the White Marsh [Whitemarsh] Camp in the State of Pennsylvania but does not recollect the date. that his discharge was washed up in his clothes without his knowledge or any design on his part. that he hereby relinquishes any claim to a Pension except the present, that his name is not on the Roll of any State except Virginia, and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a Pension: Viz

That until April in the year of 1827 he was able to labour for and procure a support and that he did then make application for a Pension, which was rejected. That his disability to labour arises from old age, and paralysis of the Right Side and Arm

Charles his Xmark Brown

And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed, and marked & referred to as No. 1. That since the 18th of March 1818 the following changes have been made in my property See Schedule Marked F & Document marked H. a part of the proceeds arising from the sale thereof he paid his debts with; and a part he gave to his children and applied the balance to the support of himself and wife who now comprise his family. He states that it is utterly impossible to shew by vouchers from his creditors, and Receipts from his children, in what manner, and to what objects the portion of the proceeds of the sale aforesaid were applied, the said present being dispersed over the State and far beyond his reach by reason of his infirmity and poverty. That he is by occupation a farmer, but is unable because of his decrepitude to pursue it that his wife is unable to do any thing of consequence by reason of an injury to both arms by a fall from a horse

Charles hisXmark Brown

Schedule No. 1

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Property owned by Charles Brown on the 18 th March 1818.
One Horse the same he now has
One mare which he swapt for the one he has now 60.
2 Breeding sows
2 pr Iron wedges
½ doz chairs
1 coopers ads [adze]

1 pr Steelyards. 4.50 1 Broad ax. 6.75 1 Pole d[itt]o. 3.00 1 Trumpet. .75 1 Plow 7.12½ 1 Kettle. 7.93¾
1 d'o
one pot
" oven
" skillet
one pot
one log chain
one shovel plow
one hammer
one old cross cut saw
one sow & 8 pigs
one d'o & 6 d'o
one lot of hogs
3 sickles
2 stands of Bees
2 chests
one sow & pigs
one Cow
one d'o
one d'o
3 first chaise[?] sheep
3 3 d'o d'o 9.00
4 4 d'o d'o
1 pr fire Irons
1 pr flat Irons
1 Bee stand
½ doz chairs
1 pr sheep sheers
1 pr d'o d'o
$1 \ \text{sett puter plates.} \qquad \qquad 4.12\frac{1}{2}$
1 lott of Hogs
one mare
\$547.01

Given under my hand this 9th day of April 1827.

[The file includes an "Inventory of Charles Browns sale this 5^{th} of Dec 1818" listing some of the items in the schedule above, which sold for a total of \$147.69. The file also includes another "Schedule No 1" dated 11 May 1829 with a value of \$147.87.]

State of Kentucky Madison County Sct.

Galen White [pension application S31476] and George Tomlinson [Ambrose (or George) Tomlinson, S31429] this day personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid, and made oath that they well recollect that Charles Brown enlisted in the sevice of the United States in the year 1776, under Captain Joseph Spencer, for two years, in Col. Woodford's regiment (which

was the 7^{th} Virginia line) and that they frequently saw him in public service during the war. Garlin Burnley [sic: Garland Burnley] was his Lieutenant and William White his Ensign. Given under my hand this 29^{th} day of May, 1826.

Kentucky Fayette county Sct.

Richard M Price personally appeared before me a justice of the peace for said county and made oath that he was orderly sergeant [see endnote] in Capt. Joseph Spencers company of the 7th Virginia Redjiment on Continental Establishment in the Revolutionary war, and recognises the person present to be Charles Brown, who served for two years in said Capt Spencer's company and was a messmate with himself during said time in the said Revolutionary War. The years 1776 and 1777 were the said time of said Brown's service. June 5th 1826.

Richard M. hisXmark Price

NOTES:

Brown's claim was apparently rejected because he had too much property. On 19 Nov 1829 he successfully petitioned the US Congress for a pension.

The duty of an orderly sergeant was to copy each day's orders into the company's orderly book. It would therefore be expected that Price would have signed his name in full if physically able.