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Pension Application of Michael Fagan S35922

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Kentucky Washington County Sct} June 8th 1818

Be it Remembered that on this 8th day of June in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen came Michael Fagan before me Arthur E Gibbins presiding Judge of the Washington County Court and made oath on the holy evangelist of Almighty God that in the fall of the year of 1774 [sic: see endnote] he enlisted as a Regular soldier in the company of Captain John Newland in the third Pennsylvania Regiment under the Command of Colonel (afterwards General) [Anthony] Wayne on the Continental establishment that he remained as a private soldier in said Regiment during the space of six years and Nine Months, when his time of enlistment having expired he Received a discharge from his officers which Discharge he retained for several years but where it is now he is unable to say or whether it is in existence; he states he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777] Manmouth [sic: Monmouth, 28 Jun 1778], Stoney point [sic: Stony Point, 16 Jul 1779], Three Rivers [8 Jun 1776], Short hills [26 Jun 1775] white plains [28 Oct 1776], Saratoga [Battle of Freeman's Farm, 19 Sep 1777; Battle of Bemis Heights, 7 Oct 1777; see endnote] at the taking of Cornwallis [at Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781] – he states he is now in the Ninety second year of his age, old & infirm his circumstances in life are so reduced he needs the assistance of his Country for a support; that he has been living upon the charity of his county for two years. he states that this affidavit is all the evidence he offers. he prays for a pension under the law of Congress of March 1818

Michael hisXmark Fagan

State of Kentucky

Washington Circuit Sct

DISTRICT OF [blank], ss.

On this seventh day of May 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts for Kentucky for the said Circuit personally appeared Michael Fagan aged 93 years, resident in Washington County in the said district, who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" that he, the said Michael Fagan enlisted for the term of during the War in the fall in the year 1774 in Burks [sic: Bucks or Berks] County in the state of Pennsylvania in the company commanded by Captain John Newland of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Wayne in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the taking of Cornwallis, when he was discharged from service in Camden state of — [South Carolina] that he was in the battles of brandy Wine Germantown Monmouth Stoney Point three Rivers Short hills White Plains Saratoga & the Siege of Yorktown he served six years & nine months and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services but this affidavit

District of Kentucky } Sct.

Washington County }

On this 14th day of Aug't 1820 personally appeared in open Court, (being a Court of Record) for the s'd County Michael Fagan, aged about ninety years resident in Washington County the District aforesaid, who being first sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows towit, he was enlisted sometime in the year 1774 or 1775 at the State of Pennsylvania in Capt. Newland's company, belonging to the third Pennsylvania Regiment and

commanded by Col'l. [Arthur] St Clair upon whose promotion [9 Aug 1776] Colonel [Thomas] Craig received the command that he fought in the following battles (towit) at Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, Short-hills, Three Rivers, Lake Champlain [Valcour Island, 11 Oct 1776], Quebec [1 Jan 1776], Saratoga, Stoney point, Gloucester & York and that he was honorably discharged at Cambden South Carolina, in the end of 1781 or 1782, that he has rec'd a pension

And 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 persons 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

Michael hisXmark Fagan

NOTE: The Continental Army was not authorized by Congress until 14 June 1775. Anthony Wayne did not become a Colonel until 3 Jan 1776. He became a General on 21 Feb 1777. Note the impossibility of Fagan having been at the battles at Saratoga if he was at the battles of Brandywine and Germantown.