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Pension Application of James Harris S37996

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James Harris of the County of Fauquier and State of Virginia in order to obtain the benefit of 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" appeared in the court of the county of Fauquier and made oath that he enlisted in the county of Fauquier Va. in the year 1779 under Capt. Seldon [sic: Samuel Selden] of the United States Army attached to the first Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colo Davis [sic: William Davies] – that he served a tour of eighteen months as a continental soldier in the Revolutionary war. that he was discharged from said Regiment some time in the year 1781 but does not recollect the particular day of his enlistment or discharge, he having lost his discharge, has hereunto annexed the affidavit of William Hulett [possibly William Hughlett, pension application S38055] as evidence of his being a soldier in the continental establishment between the years 1779 and 1781. And he being in reduced circumstances needs the aid of his country for support. 28th April 1818– Subscribed & sworn

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NOTE:

A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Ja's. Harriss/ age 36/ height 5 3¼/ farmer/ born in Prince Georges County MD/ residing in Fauquier County/ brown hair/ hazel eyes/ fair complexion/ enlisted 20 Sep 1780 for 18 months.

A size roll on noncommissioned officers and privates also compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse lists James Harris as follows: age 37/ height 5' 4¼"/ black hair/ hazel eyes/ fair complexion/ mole on left cheek/ farmer/ residing in Fauquier County/ born in Prince Georges County MD/ drafted at Fauquier 15 Sep 80 for 18 months/ sized on 5 Apr 81.