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Pension application of William Kennedy S38117 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Commonwealth of Virginia Brunswick County to wit

On this twenty seventh day of April in the year 1818 before the County Court of Brunswick County State of Virginia personally appears before us William Kennedy aged sixty years resident in the said County of Brunswick and State aforesaid who being first duly sworn in open Court 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 the said William Kennedy enlisted in the latter end of the year 1776 under Captain James Mason, whose company constituted a part of the 15th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment, and served under the said Captain in the said Regiment until the said 15th Regiment was transferred to the 11th Virginia Regiment on the same Continental establishment where he continued until the latter end of 1779 when he was regularly discharged on account of his tour of service having expired at or near moristown [Morristown] in the State of New Jersey but has lost his discharge and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that his own declaration and the declaration also of John Hall on oath is all the evidence now in his power of his said services having lost his discharge by some means: sworn to and declared before us the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Kennedy

Brunswick County to wit on the twenty seventh day of April 1818 personally appeared before us Justices of the peace for the said County of Brunswick and state aforesaid John Hall of the said County & State aforesaid and made oath that the said William Kennedy did enlist in the latter end of the year 1776 under Captain James Mason whose company constituted a part of the 15th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment and served under the said Captain in the said Regiment until it was transferred to the 11th Virginia Regiment on the same Continental establishment where he continued until the latter end of the year 1779 when he was regularly discharged on account of his tour of service having expired at or near Morristown in the State of New Jersey but has lost his discharge and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

S/ John Hall, X his mark

William Humedy

On this 24th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the said County of Brunswick legally established as such by the Constitution of the State of Virginia, William Kennedy aged seventy years and sixty-six years a resident in the said County of Brunswick, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary War as follows, in Captain James Mason's Company in the 15th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel David Mason for the term of 2 ½ years and was then under Captain White and consolidated with the 11th Regiment commanded by Colonel Innis [James Innis] about six months and that he has received from the Government of the United States \$120 under a pension Warrant issued from the war Department bearing No. 2064. 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed viz.: one old Saddle & Bridle & two chests

S/ Wm Kennedy

And that I have only myself and family and was brought up a former and from my advanced age and am unable to support myself thereby.

Sworn to and declared on the 24th day of July 1820 before the County Court of Brunswick aforesaid.

[Certified as a true copy by Robert Turnbull, clerk of the Brunswick County court and that the court valued the property of the veteran at \$10.]

[Facts in file: The veteran died in Augusta County Virginia November 30, 1824; in November 1858, a son named George S Kennedy was living in Augusta County Virginia.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 27, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to William Kennedy S38117

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 28 July 2020.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia indexed as Kennady, William.]

I do Sertify that William Kennady enlisted with me in decem'r 1776 & was discharged in decem'r 1779

Said discharge is lost or mislaid by some accident

Copy/ J. Pendleton Jr

Jas Mason for'ly Capt [James Mason]

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