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Pension application of John McKinley (MacKenly) S38184 f13NC Transcribed by Will Graves 2/19/09: rev'd 1/21/17

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North Carolina Montgomery County

On this 5th day of March 1829 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record and the Superior Court of the County of Montgomery John MacKenly resident in said County aged 75 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820, that he the said John McKinley enlisted for the term of 2 years and 6 months on the 9th day of July in the year 1777 in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Capt. Lewis [Micajah Lewis] -- in the Regiment commanded by Col. John Armstrong in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps until 1799 [sic, 1779?] when he was discharged from the service at the Black Swamp in the State of South Carolina that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the pension Roll of any State and that the following all the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension and in pursuance of the act of the first of 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 other wise 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 and that I have no property of any description whatever my wearing apparel excepted and have not been since the 18th of March 1818 -- and this Affiant further swears that he has at this time no other proof of his services except his own oath -- that his discharge has been lost from the time and accident -- that he has been informed and so he believes the fact to be that his name is on the muster roll filed in

the office of the Secretary of State of North Carolina -- this affiant further Swears that he was at the Battle of Stono [Stono Ferry, June 20, 1779] that he was at the Battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] where he was wounded -- from which wounds he suffers to this day -- at the battle of Savannah [September 16-October 9, 1779] and at Gates Defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] -- this affiant further swears that heretofore he made application, while a citizen of Virginia that his application was rejected on the Ground as he was informed that his name did not appear on the roll -- but since he settled in North Carolina, a friend has ascertained that his name is on the roll as before stated.

S/ John MacKinley, X his mark

Sworn to and declared on 5th March 1829 in open Court before his Of the Judge

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office 18th May 1829 Sir

I have examined into the case of Jno McKinley, an applicant for a Pension, and find him mustered as stated in my certificate of this date. I also find that there was a Capt. Lewis belonging to the 4th Regiment of the line of this State, under whom the said John McKinley may have enlisted, but on the consolidation of the regiments, towards the close of the war was placed (with others) in the 10th Regiment.

Very respectfully your Obedient Servant S/Wm Hill

State of North Carolina, Secretary of States Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that John McKinley a private in Capt. Taylor's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted for 2 1/2 years. The date of his enlistment is not mentioned but it is stated under the head of "Occurrences" that he was mustered in January 1779, and discharged in April 1779.

Given under my hand this 18th day of May 1829

S/Wm Hill

Commonwealth of Virginia Washington County, to wit

On this 13th day of April 1830 before me the subscriber a justice of the peace for the said County of Washington personally appeared John MacKenly who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Capt. James Taylor in the Regiment commanded by Col. John Armstrong of the North Carolina line in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of North Carolina from whence he has lately removed again to the State of Virginia, where he once lived and where he wishes his pension to be payable, as he intends to remain here, his children being citizens of that part of the country. He further declares on oath that the paper enclosed with this affidavit is his original pension certificate, which has been so entered by falling in the water that it cannot now be read -- and that he desires a duplicate pension certificate in his place.

Sworn & subscribed before me the day & year aforesaid S/ Daniel Lynch, JP

S/ John MacKenley, X his mark