Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Moses Parish S38286 VA
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Commonwealth of Virginia } Mecklenburg County }

On this 20th day of July 1818 before us, sitting as Justices of the County Court of Mecklenburg personally appeared us Moses Parish aged 76 years resident in the said County and State, 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 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 Moses Parish enlisted in Halifax County in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Capt Nath'l Cocke [Nathaniel Cocke R13415] of the 7th Virginia Reg't. That he continued to serve in the said corps for nearly four years, when he was discharged from service in Alexandria that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] and Mounmouth [sic: Monmouth NJ, 28 Jun 1778]; 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.

State of Virginia Mecklenburg County September 26th 1819

We Jones Gee, Richard H Walker, Benjamin Whitehead Coleman & John Hutchison Justices of the peace for the County afsd do hereby certify that Moses Parish personally appeared & in addition to his former deposition & states on oath, that according to the best of his recollection he enlisted in the month of March 1776 & that he was discharged in the month of February 1780 & that he served under the follow Colonels to the best of his recollection, Colonel Crockett [Joseph Crockett S46377], Colonel Nelson who was afterwards governor of Virginia as he believes [see endnote] & Col. Heth [William Heth BLWt1064-500], who had but one eye – the given name to each of the above Colonels he does not recollect & now transmit the same to secretary of the War department

District of Virginia Mecklenburg County Viz:

On this 17th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the said County Moses Parish aged 77 years resident of said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: that he enlisted in March 1776 in Halifax County (Va.) with Capt. Nath'l. Cocke of the 7th. Va. Reg't. and was at the Battles of Brandywine & Monmouth Court House and served likewise under Colos. Nelson and Heath: that he has been placed on the Pension list by the act of the 18th of March [certificate] No. 15, 344 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 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.

Schedule of Property

1 Cow & Calf \$10–0 10 head of Hogs 20–0 17 Head of Sheep 46–00

Moses hisXmark Parish

That the said Parish has only one in family his Wife aged 80 years infirm and nearly blind

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia, assumed to be the same soldier as above.]

These are to certify that Moses Parrish formerly a Soldier in the [blank] Virginia Regiment has duly & faithfully served the Term of three years for which he was inlisted in consequence of which & at his own request he is hereby discharged from any father Service in the army of the United States, and Permitted to return to his home free & unmolested, he having received all his bounty, pay & clothing & Deficiencies of pay & clothing in full of all allowances & provision made by the Congress for their Troops, his Receipt for which is on the Back hereof

Given under my hand at Philadelphia

this 29 Day of January 1780 Christian Febiger [VAS675] Colo Comd 2nd VR

Endorsed

Philadelphia 29 January 1780

I do hereby acknowledge to have received from the United States all my Bounty Pay & Clothing & Deficiences of pay & Clothing due me whilst in their service in full

Moses hisXmark Parish

Treasury Departm't/ Register's Office 27 Decem 1797

I do hereby certify that the above is a true Copy of the Original filed in this Office

Joseph Nourse Rr

NOTE: William Nelson (VAS377) was Lt. Col. in the 7th Virginia Regiment. Col. Thomas Nelson was elected Governor of Virginia on 12 June 1781.