Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Martin S40123 MD
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DISTRICT and State OF Virginia, Berkeley County, SS.

On this 28th day of April 1818, before me the subscriber, sole and presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Law, for the said district, personally appeared John Martin aged 63 years, resident in Berkeley 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 John Martin enlisted in Frederick Town in the state of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain Barron of the Legion Commanded by General Armong [sic: Lt. Col. Charles Armand; several illegible interlined words] in the service of the United States, in the Spring or early in the summer 1781 [sic]; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States, until the end of the war, when he was discharged from service in Little York, in the state of Pennsylvania, that he was in the battle of Camden [SC, 16 Aug 1780] which terminated in [Gen. Horatio] Gates's defeat 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 except the annexed affidavit of Margaret Clemens

Made oath before me the subscriber Judge &c as aforesaid, Margaret Clemmens formerly Margaret Klyn that her former husband John Kline was also a soldier in Col Armongs Regiment, That during the time of his service the said Regiment was stationed in the town of York in the State of Pensilvania where she the affiant then lived, that the above applicant John Martin was very intimate with her said husband, and often came home with him to the house in which she lived, from which circumstance she came to know and does know, that he the said John Martin did serve as a soldier in the said Regiment

Franklin County Ss

On the 12th day of august 1818 came before me the subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace in & for said County Doct'r. Abraham Senseny who on Oath duly administred did depose and say, that during the time Col. Armongs Regiment were Stationed in york Town Pennsylvania he well knew John Martin, being a Soldier belonging the the said Regiment, that he was stationed there upwards of one year

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Franklin County Ss

On the 14th day of august 1818 appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in & for said County Edward Crawford Esq'r who on Oath duly Administred did depose and say that he knew John Martin when he was a Soldier belonging to Gen'l. Armongs Legion when they were Stationed at york town Pennsylvania in the year of 1783, that he was there Discharged that he hath frequently seen him since that time and is the same Person and the said deponent further saith that the said John Martin is old and not able to labor for a liveleood for himself & wife also old and infirm and that he is in indigent circumstances

At a Court of Common pleas held at chambersburg in and for the county of Franklin in the State of Pennsylvania on the fourth day of October one thousand eight hundred & twenty – Personally appeared in open Court (the said Court being a Court of Record for said County) John Martin, aged Sixty Seven years who being 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 May 1820, that he the said John Martin enlisted in Armong's Legion in the army of the United States in December 1780 or January 1781, and that he continued in the Service until the end of the war in 1783, when he was discharged at York Pennsylvania. That Deponents Captain was called Baron de Utrick [Louis Augustus De Baron Uttricht or Uechritz], That this deponent is now on the pension List of the United States and has received a pension as appears by his pension certificate No. 9459 dated the seventeenth day of April AD 1819. 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 & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed 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. This Declarant further declares that he is by occupation a labourer, but that he is now not able to labour owing to age and disease, That his family consists only of his wife named Catharine aged Seventy four years & upwards, altogether unable to contribute anything to his support. This declarant further on his oath saith that the annexed Schedule of his property is just & true

Schedule of Declarants property, Viz, One half lot with a log house thereon sided 20 by 24 or 26 feet Subject to the payment of Judgments to the amount of four hundred Dollars and upwards, two chairs & one Table. The House & Lot clear of incumbrance \$500 —

The other articles 2 —

Sworn & subscribed in Open Court 4th October 1820 John his Xmark Martin

District of Pennsylvania Sc

on this the Tenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty one, personally appear in open Court, viz in the court of common pleas of Franklin county being a court of record for the said County John Martin aged sixty seven years resident in the Borough of Chambersburg in 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 the said John Martin enlisted in Armongs Legion in the army of the United States in December 1780 or January 1781 and that he continued in the service untill the end of the war in 1783 when he was Discharged at York Pennsylvania That Deponents captain was called Baron de Utrick that this Deponent is now on the pension List of the United States and has recieved a pension as appears by his pension certificate No 9459 Dated the seventeenth day of April 1819. [Oath similar to the above follows.] – This Declarent further Declares that he is by occupation a Labourer and that he is now not able to Labour owing to age and disease. That his family consists only of his wife named Catharine aged seventy four years and upwards, and altogether unable to contribute anything to his support. This Declarent Further on his oath saith that the annexed schedule of his property is just and true. Schedule of Declarents property Viz.

The use and occupation for himself and his wife during their Lives of one half Lot of ground in the borrough of Chambersburg with a Log house thereon erected 20 by 24 or 26 feet. The house in an unfinished state worth forty Five Dollars per year:

The above a true valuation by the Court, this 13 March 1821

Sworn to and subscribed and declared in open court this 13th March 1821 John his Xmark Martin [On 28 April 1823 John Martin made a similar declaration except that he was 69, and his wife 76.]

NOTE: A note on the pension certificate indicates that John Martin died 13 June 1824.