Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Moore W1456
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State of Tennessee Bedford County

On this 14th day of April A.D. 1840, personally appeared before the Circuit Court for the County of Bedford aforesaid at the Court house in Shelbyville Jane Moore aged nearly seventy years, a resident of the County of Marshall and State of Tennessee, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1838, entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows." That she is the widow of David Moore deceased who was a private in the Revolution, that he enlisted in the regular service in Staunton, Augusta County, Virginia, under a recruiting officer by the name of McIlhaney. He entered in the service for the period of three years. Declarant has no means of telling the time of which he entered the service. She has heard him say that he was about eighteen years of age when he entered the service; and he was born, as will appear by annexed proof in 1758. She has heard him further say that he was in the battle at Stony Point [July 16, 1779] which she remembers the more particularly, as he stated that they were made to go into battle with unloaded guns, which made him suspect that he together with his comrades had been sold. She has heard him say that he was at the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], besides other battles and reneoutre's [rencounters] which she does not remember. She has heard him often speaking of his officers – She remembers of his speaking of Sinclair or St. Clair, of Captain Kirk, of Colonel Moffitt, of Lewis. He was a volunteer for some months after his regular term of service expired under Colonel McCrary – during which time he marched to North Carolina, & in the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781]. Captain Long commanded the company in which he served while a volunteer, when in the regular service he had a constant friend, companion & messmate in one John Campbell, who enlisted with him at Staunton, went with him in the same company – and they returned together at the end of three years. Declarant remembers well the return of the two, but does not know the date of the return. Declarant has stated the above facts from her recollection, hoping there will be found evidence in the Department in support of her claim. She has used every effort to ascertain the Regiment or the name of the Colonel commanding the Regiment in which her husband served but has not succeeded. She has no documentary evidence to prove his services. John Campbell has been dead for many years. She sends here with the testimony of George Campbell, who was a younger brother of John Campbell.

She further declares that she was married to the said David Moore on the 17th day of August 1788, that her husband the aforesaid David Moore died on the 2nd day of December 1831. She has no documentary proof of their said marriage. She was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place, previous to the first day of January 1794, viz.: at the time above stated.

[pp 3-6: family register: the bottom of each page has been torn off and is missing]
Marriages

Truman and Annay Bivens was married April the 5th 1803

Wilson and Polly Gillespie was married December the 24th 1812

David D Moore and Rebecca Moore was married July 22nd, 1825 [last 2 digits written over and unclear]

George W[illegibly faint] Rhody R. Moore was married Feby [illegible]
Births

David Moore was born September the 17th 1758

Jane Moore was born May the 5th 1777

Anne Moore was born July the 17th 1789

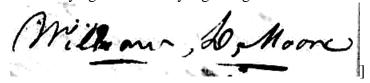
William Moore was born February the 7th 1792

Levi Moore born May [paper torn, rest of the page missing]

Deaths

David Moore Departed this life December 2nd 1831]

[p 11: On April 9, 1840 in Bedford County Tennessee William D Moore gave testimony in support of the application of his mother Jane Moore for a pension. He authenticated the family record saying that the entry regarding his father's death is in his own handwriting.



[p 15: On April 15, 1840 in Bedford County Tennessee, George Campbell gave an affidavit in support of the widow's pension application stating that he is the younger brother of John Campbell who enlisted with David Moore under a recruiting officer named McIlhaney; that he remembers Jane Moore whose father's name was Lapriest [?] marrying David Moore.]

[p 16: On April 16, 1840 in Bedford County, Tennessee, Ann Campbell gave testimony in support of the widow's application stating that she is the sister of the widow; that the veteran came to her mother's house, obtained consent from her mother to marry Jane and went to the house of Jane's uncle, James Elliott, in Augusta County with whom Jane then lived and where the veteran and Jane were married. She states that the veteran's companion in the service, John Campbell, was the brother of her husband.



[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]

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