Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew King W374
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Sally King

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State of Tennessee Claiborne County:

On this the 11th day of June 1833 personally appeared before me Martial Brower one of the acting Justices of the peace who holds the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for said County the same being a Court of Record Andrew King aged 80 years who being first duly sworn on the holy Evangelist of God doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832.

He states that he is so old and infirm and decrepit that he cannot attend court to make this application for he resides about twenty miles from the Court House and he has not been able to go to Court in six years he states that he is a very poor man and that he has no body living with him but his wife and that she is very old and decrepit.

He further states that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated that in the year 1779 he resided in the County of Henry in the State of Virginia and that he there volunteered his service in the service of the United States for six months and as well as applicant can recollect and it was in the month of June in said year that he entered the Service and he further states that he volunteered under Captain Joseph Martaín [probably Joseph Martin] and we then marched to the West to the Long Islands of the Holston [River] in the state of Tennessee (now) where we were attached to the Briggaid [brigade] commanded by General Russell and we then all marched together from there to Telico [Tellico] against the Cherokees and he states that then upwards of two thousand men of us that marched at the same time and he states that there was one other General with us to wit General Christy [William Christian] and applicant states that after they had marched to various places in the Cherokee Nation and after the Indians had made peace we marched back to the Long Islands of the Holston and from there we marched back to the County of Henry in the State of Virginia where the applicant received his discharge from Captain Joseph Martain after having been six months and fifteen days in the service of his country which said discharge he has lost or mislaid so that he cannot produce the same. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency of any State whatever.

Question propounded by the Justice before whom the declaration was made

1st Where and in what year were you born. Answer. I was born in the State of Virginia in the County of __ in the year of 1753.

2nd have you any record of your age and if so where is it. Answer I have no record of my age

only now [know] my age by what my parents told me

3rd where were you living when you were called into the service and where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you know [now] live.

Answer. I lived in the County of Henry when I was called into the service I have lived since the Revolutionary War a while in the State of North Carolina and I now live in the County of Claiborne in the State of Tennessee.

4th wlou [sic, how] were you called into the service were you drafted did you volunteer or was you a substitute and if a substitute for whom. Answer I was a volunteer

5th State the names of some of the officers to whom you were acquainted and the other militia and Continental regiments as you can recollect. Answer. I knew General Christie, General Russell and Colonel Joseph Louis [probably Joseph Lewis] and others.

6th did you ever receive a discharge and if so from whom

from Captain [word written through and illegible] I received my discharge Joseph Martain which said discharge I have lost or mislaid so that I cannot produce the same

7th State the names of some of the persons in your neighborhood who testify to your good carakter [character] and as to their belief of you services as a Soldier of the Revolutionary War. Answer I know Joab Brewer and Thomas Givens and many others

He states that he has no documentary Evidence of his service nor does he know of any living testimony by whom he can prove the same.

Sworn to and subscribed to before Martial Brower one of the acting Justices of the peace who wholes the court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions the same being a court of Record S/ Martial Brewer

S/ Andrew King, X his mark

Martial Brewes

[Joab Brewer,50, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[Thomas Givens, 40, a clergyman, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 9: On February 5, 1842 in Grainger County Tennessee, Sally King, 82, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Andrew King, a revolutionary war pensioner late of Claiborne County Tennessee; that she married him in 1778; that her husband died November 14, 1834 in Claiborne County Tennessee. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 2: On May 7, 1842, Sally King gave testimony in Grainger County Tennessee that she is the widow of Andrew King, a revolutionary war pensioner that she married him in the year 1778 in the Church of England in Surry County Virginia in a church named Maple Run.]

[p 4: On March 28, 1842 in Grainger County Tennessee, William King, 56, made oath that he was well acquainted with Andrew and Sally King from his earliest recollection; that they lived together as man and wife and were married sometime before January one, 1794; that Andrew King kept a record of the births of his children but it was destroyed by accident fourteen years since; that Andrew King and his wife Sally had five children older than the deponent. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[p 32: On September 30, 1842 in Putnam County Indiana, Henry R Crawley, 74, gave testimony that he was acquainted with Sally King now of Grainger County Tennessee and widow of

Andrew King; that she is 82 years of age and was married to the said Andrew King in the year 1778 in Rockingham County North Carolina by a minister of the Church of England by the name of William Meredith.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]