

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Levi Annis W5624

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State of Virginia } SS

Accomack County }

On this 29th day of April 1851 personally appeared before me Shalmaneser Davis a justice of the peace in and for the said County Peggy Annis a resident of the County of Accomack and state of Virginia aged over eighty years 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 an act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows and also of the supplemental acts of March 3rd 1843, June 17th 1844 and 2nd of February 1848 That she is the widow of Levi Annis who was a soldier in the 9th regiment in continental line and received a warrant for two hundred acres of land as will appear by reference to the Virginia land officer She further declares that she was married to the said Levi Annis in 1787

That her husband the aforesaid Levi Annis died on the [blank] 1816 That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place prior to the 1st of January 1794 viz at the time above stated She further swears that she is now a widow and that she has never before made any application for a pension

Peggy herXmark Annis

KNOW all Men by these Presents, that I Levi Annis of the County of Accomack and State of Virginia have this day bargained and sold, and by these present do bargain, sell and assign over to Thomas D Harris of the county of Henrico and State of Virginia all my right, title, and interest n and to one hundred acres of Land, due me in consideration of my services in the army of the United States, to the end of the late war with Great-Britain, under the command of Colo Jno Green [John Green] agreeable to an act of Congress, and I do moreover request, order and direct Henry Dearborn, Esquire, Secretary at War for the time being, or his successors, to issue to Thomas D Harris his heirs or assigns, in his or their own name as assignee of me, the said Levi Annis a warrant for the land aforesaid, and on receipt of the same, I do hereby ratify and confirm any receipt or other instrument in writing, that he the said Thomas D. Harris may necessarily sign, or procure to be signed, in touching the premises aforesaid, as fully as I could do, if I was personally present. IN Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of February eighteen hundred and eight

Levi hisXmark Annis

Accomack County to wit

This day Solomon Parks [pension application W5486] appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid and made oath that Levi Annis who has signed the within Power of Attorney is the same person who performed the service stated within, he having inlisted for the war & continued to the end thereof, the said Solomon Parks having been a soldier in the Continental Army – Given under my hand this 9th day of February 1808

State of Virginia }

Accomack County } SS

On this the 16th day of May 1851 personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for the said county, Peggy Annis a resident of the county of Accomack and state of Virginia aged over eighty years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows and also of the supplemental acts of March 3rd 1843 June 17th 1844 and 2nd February 1848 That she is the widow of Levi Annis, who I am

informed was a private in 1776 in the company of Captain Thomas Parramore in 9th Virginia regiment and which I am also informed is in record in the Pension Office. I have also been informed that he was a Seaman on board of the armed vessel Accomack or Dilligence and this will further appear by the proof herewith inclosed from the auditors office in Richmond. she further declairs that she was married to the said Levi Annis in 1787 and that her husband the aforesaid Levi Annis died in 1816. That 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 within stated and that she has never before made any application for a pension because she was ignorant, illiterate and knew nothing about the law of 1832 or any other law of the United States untill she was recently informed by a friend that she was entitled to a pension for the services of her said husband Levi Annis in the revolutionary war Peggy herXmark Annis

12th May 1780. We the subscribers hereby acknowledge the receipt of four months pay of John Trackle pay master of the Diligence [sic: *Diligence*] and Accomack Galleys. To which paper there are nineteen names, amongst whom the name of Levi appears as a seamen.

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond this 10th day of May 1851
The above paper is to be found in the 1st Vol. of papers concerning the State Navy.

NOTES:

An unsigned note in the file states: "This man, Levi Annis rec'd 200 acres of Land from Virginia, consequently he must have served three years. He rec'd. 100 acres from the U.S., consequently must have served to the end of the war. Refer to Mr. Gordon's Books"

I Custis Annis son of Levi Annis and Peggy his wife do hereby certify that I was born in the year of 1788 as appears by the family record I was enroled in Captain George H Ewell Company and performed military duty in the War of 1812 with great Britian. From these facts it will appear what is undoubtedly true that my parents were married prior to the year of 1794. Given under my hand this 29th day of March 1851
Custis hisXmark Annis

A Treasury-Department document indicates that the children of Peggy Annis received her final pension payment covering the period up to the date of her death, 31 Aug 1851.