Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert McMeekin (McMickin, McMeckin) W8442 Martha f29VA Transcribed by Will Graves 5/10/13

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State of Kentucky Fayette Circuit Court: September Term 1834

On this 14th of October 1834 personally appeared before Thomas M Hickey Judge of said Court Robert McMeekins [sic] a resident of Fayette County & State of Kentucky aged seventy three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in Fauquier County & State of Virginia in the year 1777 in Captain John Blackwell's Company for three years in the third Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Heath [William Heth], that he marched to the North & joined the main Army & was in the battles of Germantown [October 4, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778] & then marched to Charleston South Carolina & was there at the Siege of Charleston [Charleston fell on May 12, 1780], taken prisoner by the British & was kept prisoner until exchanged & discharged at Charleston, but carried in the shipping to Richmond, that he was in the Service three years & six months from the date of his Enlistment to his discharge – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or an annuity except the present & he declares his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State.

S/ Robt. Mcmeekin [?]

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Fayette County Sct

This day Robert McMeekins [sic] personally appeared before me & made oath that at the time he entered the service in the Revolution his name was as it is now, sometimes spelt Robert McMickens & sometimes Robert McMeekins, that after his discharge he drew his wages upon the order of Captain John Blackwell but does not recollect the agent's name that paid him. That the reason why he did not apply under the act of 18th of March 1818 was that his circumstances then did not authorize him, that he received his land warrant from Virginia for his military services and refers to his evidence there for proof of his Services.

S/Robert Mcmeeken [?]

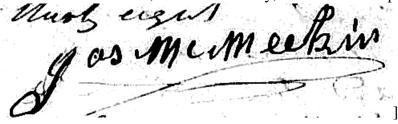
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[p 7: On October 14, 1838 in Fayette County Kentucky, Martha McMeekin, aged about 85, filed

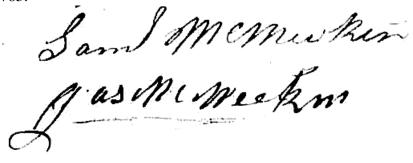
for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating she is the widow of Robert McMickin [sic], a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him in Fauquier County Virginia; that her house and all her papers were consumed by fire; that she married her husband during the war of the revolution but is unable to state the date; that her husband died about the 18 day of March 1836 and she has remained a widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 9: a supporting affidavit was signed by William Warnock and Samuel McMeeken home October 15, 1838 in Scott County Kentucky; the relationship, if any, of Samuel McMeeken to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated.]

[p 28: On August 13, 1838 in Fayette County Kentucky, James McMeekin gave testimony that he was born October 15, 1792 in Kentucky; that his father departed this life March 17, 1836.



[p 28: On August 13, 1838 in Fayette County Kentucky, Samuel McMeekin and James McMeekin gave testimony that their brother William McMeekin deceased was born in the year 1785.



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

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