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Virginia document pertaining to John Ryan VAS1775
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Amherst County Court November 1821

On the motion of John Ryan. It is ordered to be certified to the General assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia that it appeared to the satisfaction of the Court from the Testimony of Wm. Lockard [William Lockard, pension application S38152] that the said John Ryan was a soldier of the revolution and served in the third Regiment of light dragoons under the Command of Colo George Baylor for upward of Eighteen months. It likewise appeared to the satisfaction of the Court from the examination of the said John Ryan upon oath, that he was honorably discharged from the service, and that he received no compensation whatever for his services. It further appeared to the Court from other satisfactory evidence that the said John Ryan has resided for many years in the County of Amherst and has uniformly supported the character of an honest man that he has been compelled to labour constantly for his support. that he has no estate whatever and is now from his great age incapable of labour

A Copy Teste A B Davies CAC

Amherst County, to wit,

This day John Ryan, an Old Soldeir of the Revolution, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid, & made Oath that He has never received a pension from this State for his services during the War of the Revolution; nor has he received a Pension therefor from the United States, or ever applied for one to them. Given under my Hand this 23^d day of Nov'r. 1821.

Tinsley Rucker

To the General Assembly of Virginia.

The Petition of John Ryan of the County of Amherst respectfully sheweth, that he was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, and served in the third Regiment of Light Dragoons, under the Command of Colo George Baylor on State establishment, that he was Honorably discharged from service, which discharge is lost or mislaid, and that he has Received no compensation for his services; That he is a native of the County of Amherst where he has resided since his return from service, that he has uniformly supported the Charactor of an Honest industrious man, gaining by the means of his own Labour a scanty support, But he is now old and infirm and no longer able to support himself by his own exertions, He has no property or friends to sustain him in the decline of life, and is constrained to throw himself on the gratitude of his Country. Confidently believing that his Country will not deny to the War-worn soldier, the means of support for the few remaining years of his life – your Petitioner wou'd ask for compensation for his services, but he is advised that all claims of that description are bared by the Act of lemitation, He therefore in the last resort throws himself on the liberallity and gratitude of that Country which he has served, and asks to be placed on the Pension list, with such an allowance as your Honorable Body shall think reasonable, And your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray. John Ryan

Amherst County Novem. 24th 1821

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