

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Abraham Brake R1147

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[Any original documents in the file were evidently removed for the investigation by W. G. Singleton. See below for explanation. The following is Singleton's report.]

Abraham Brake. applicant.

On the 8th July 1834 Abraham Brake made the following statement: was seventy years old last august. at the commencement of the Revolutionary war he resided at Morefield Hardy County Virginia [sic: Moorefield, now in WV]. that during the war of the Revolution (cant say in what year) he was drafted ad marched from Morefield under Capt. Bernion Leut. Leonard Stump Ensign Harris to Beesen[?] Town Pen. headquarters. from there to Catfish on the Ohio River, then to Morgantown Virginia and then to Morefield. was dismissed at Morefield. Cant say how long he was in service. - previous to the above tour was drafted for 3[?] months & hired a substitute. previous to his removeing to Harrison County thirty or forty years ago he understood the above service was against the "whiskey boys" [Whiskey Rebellion of 1794] he was at Buckhannon Fort [at Buckhannon in present Upshur County] on visit to his father. remained there ten months. — this comprises all his services. - the statement now given is in substance what he gave to Copelan who wrote his Declaration. agreed to give Jacob Copelan \$20 if he succeed in getting a pension. — In witness that the forgoing statement is true I hereto subscribe my name.

Witness

Abraham hisXmark Brake

G Harrison

a true Copy

W. G Singleton Nov. 16, 1834

NOTE: Singleton, a district attorney, investigated a large number of fraudulent pension applications from Harrison and Lewis counties. See pension application S6111 of David W. Sleeth for details.