

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Vetchell (Vachel) Young R11953 Catherine Young f15NC
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State of Tennessee, Claiborne County

Be it remembered that at the Term of said Court held in and for said County on the 6th day of October A.D. 1856 personally appeared before the said Court in open Court Patience Hooper a resident of said County who being first duly sworn on her oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the arrears of pension due to Catherine Young the mother of this declarant and wife and widow of Vetchell Young on account of the services of said Young her father in the War of the Revolution under the various acts of Congress in this behalf and especially that of July 4th, 1836 and the 7th of June 1838.

She states that her father the said Vetchell Young was a private and served for two years in the War of the Revolution and she thinks he served in the organized Troops of North Carolina and thinks he was in the Regiment of Colonel Washington [William Washington] and that he was a Dragoon. She is not able to state the names of his Officers, nor the time he entered and left the service that he her said father died in 1799 – that this declarant was born in the year 1776 and was married to William Hooper who died on the 14th day of April 1844. That said Vetchell Young and Catharine were married in Madison County Maryland near the City of Baltimore about the year 1770 – That this declarant has resided in said County of Claiborne for 45 years past – that she is the only living child of said Vetchell and Catherine Young – that said Young her father died in the year 1799 in the County of Wilkes in the State of North Carolina and that her said Mother Catherine Young died near Indianapolis, Indiana about the year 1845. She cannot name the precise day of her death but relies therefore upon such proof of that fact as she may be able to obtain – that said Young she thinks from what she has heard him say served during nearly the whole of the War of the Revolution, but is certain that he served so long as two years, that her father and mother immediately after their marriage removed to Burke County North Carolina where they resided during the War and until a short time before the death of said Vetchell Young when they moved to Wilkes County where he died as aforesaid – That the reason why this declarant did not make an earlier application is that she was not apprised till lately that she was even entitled to the pension due to her mother, and that she is unable to state why her mother made no application in her lifetime. That she believes that no record of the family was kept by her father, but that the annexed record¹ and the facts stated therein of the family of her late husband William Hooper, is and are correct and true. That said record is in the hand writing of her late husband William Hooper and was or at least a portion of it written by him 50 some years ago and ever since it was written it has been in her possession – That neither said Young nor his widow ever received or applied for a pension – that after the death of said Young his widow remained unmarried up to the time of her death.

¹ This record is not among the documents contained in this file.

Subscribed and sworn to in open Court the day and year above written.

S/ Wm. G. Payne, Judge &c.

S/ Patience Hooper, X her mark

[p 4: On the same day and at the same term of court, Nathaniel W Hooper gave testimony that he is the son of William and Patience Hooper; that his father died April 14, 1844; and that the family record submitted by his mother in support of her application is in the handwriting of his father. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

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State of North Carolina
Comptrollers Department

I George W Brooks Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears of record in my office among the payments made to sundry persons for military service in the Revolutionary War as follows Viz.:

Vachel Young

Book No. 8. Page 25 £9.13^s.0^d specie, allowed in the Salisbury District, July 1784

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribe my name and affixed the seal of said office at Raleigh on this the 25th day of December 1856.

S/ Geo. W. Brooks
Comptroller

[in margin and in a different handwriting:

£9.13
20

193 ÷ 8 =

24.12 ½

3 months & 19 days]