

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Brummet (Brummett, Brummit) R1368 Mary Brummet 91VA
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State of Tennessee Knox County:

On this 17th day of October 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Circuit court for the State of Tennessee personally appeared Thomas Brummet aged Sixty-four years resident in the County of Anderson in said State of Tennessee who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary war. That he the said Thomas Brummet enlisted in the State of Virginia in the year 1777 in the company commanded by Captain Cluff Shelton [Clough Shelton] of the 10th Virginia Regiment in the regular service for three years that he continued to serve the United States said three years for which he enlisted and six months over and was then discharged at Philadelphia by order of General George Washington that he has lost his discharge that he was in the battle at Brandywine [September 11, 1777], at Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and at Guilford [March 15, 1781], that he is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for support -- that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, that he has never been a pensioner and does hereby relinquish all claim to pensions heretofore provided for except by the act of Congress under which he now applies.

S/ Thomas Brummet, X his mark

Sworn to and Subscribed before me the Day and date above.

S/ Edwd Scott, Judge &c.

[Sherwood Bowman testifies as to the reduced circumstances of Thomas Brummet.]

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Schedule

State of Tennessee Anderson County: July Sessions 1820

On this 10th day of July 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, (having the power of fine and imprisonment and also having been made a court of record by the laws of said state,) for the said County, Thomas Brummet aged Sixty-five years, resident in the County of Anderson aforesaid, who, being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: that he enlisted in the year 1777 for three years and Captain Cluff Shelton's company of the 10th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Greene. That he is now a pensioner under the Act of Congress of the 18th march 1818.

That his Original declaration is dated the 17th of October 1818. That his pension certificate is of No. 5327.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Schedule

4 head of hogs of the value of \$4

That he is a farmer and not able to labor more than one fourth of his time, and that of light or easy nature and has no trade. That he has a wife and four children -- his wife able to perform full labor -- His eldest son William is aged about 15 years but unhealthy and not able to perform full labor for one of that age -- Sally [?, could be "Lially"]¹ a daughter aged about 9 years -- Ann about 6 years -- Thomas about 2 years neither of which last mentioned child are able to perform any labor to be of value. The above four children all the only ones of the family now living with him.

Sworn to in open court the 10th July 1820

S/ Thomas Brummet, X his mark

[p 7: On August 7th 1843 in Anderson County Tennessee, Mary Brummett, 77, filed for a widows pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Thomas Brummett; that she married him in the month of May 1793 in Knox County Tennessee; that her maiden name was Mary Burris; that her husband died November 20, 1842 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 12: On February 14, 1852, in Anderson County Tennessee, William Brummett, 52, filed as the son and heir of Thomas Brummett; that his mother applied for a pension but it was suspended; that he, affiant, now applies to have her payments renewed; that his parents were married "... at the time Cavets Station was destroyed by the Indians in 1793"; that his mother Mary Brummett died November 6, 1847 leaving the following children as her only heirs at law, William Brummet, Elija Brummett, J. A. Brummett, Thomas Brummett, Sarah Braden, Anna White, & Sinthia Bradshaw.]

[p 14: On February 14, 1852 in Anderson County Tennessee, Thomas Brummet gave testimony that Mary Brummett widow of Thomas Brummet a pensioner of the United States died November 6, 1847. His relationship, if any, to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated.

Thomas Brummett

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[p 18: On August 30, 1844 in Anderson County Tennessee, Elijah Burriss gave testimony that the statements made on behalf of Mary Brummett were true; that he recollects that the date of marriage of Mary Burriss to Thomas Brummet occurred in May 1793 which the affiant recalls because on the 16th day of May 1793 the affiant had some of his property taken by a man by the name of Sugar Jones and a compromise was reached between the affiant and Sugar Jones on May 20th, 1793; affiant also remembers that affiant's youngest son Elijah was born February 15th 1792 and that he was 15 months and 2 days old when the said marriage took place; that the marriage ceremony was performed by Samuel McCoy who is now dead. The Affiant signed his affidavit with his mark. His relationship, if any, to the widow or the veteran is not stated.]

[p 24: On January 27, 1845 in Anderson County Tennessee, Elijah Burriss, 84, gave further testimony in support of the application of Mary Brummett for a pension; in this document he says that it the date of the marriage of Thomas Brummet to Mary Burriss is fixed in his mind because the date of their marriage is the date of the massacre [September 30, 1793] by the Indians of the Cavet family [Alexander Cavet or Cavett] below Knoxville 8 miles, the family numbering 13 persons; affiant states that he was surety to the marriage. He signed this document with his mark.]

[Facts in file: children of the veteran and his wife:

Hannah born May 14, 1794

Delila born January 15, 1796

Belinda born December 14, 1798

William born December 8, 1800

Elijah born January 25 1802

Sarah born May 15 1804

Anna born May 15 1806

Rhoda born December 14, 1808

Sintha or Sinthia born June 22, 1810

James A. born July 31, 1812

Thomas born November 13, 1814

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 17, 1818 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]