

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Champion R1840

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State of Mississippi Oktibbeha County: In the Probate court July Term A.D. 1858

In Open Court Present the Honorable David names Judge of the said Court of Probates held at Starkville within and for the County & State aforesaid personally appeared John Champion, Junior, of said County, aged about sixty-eight years a resident of the County of Oktibbeha in the State of Mississippi, who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions of the act of the 7th of June A.D. 1832 also the Act of July the 4th 1836, and of July 7th 1838, also the bounty land Act of September 16th 1776 and September 18th 1776 and other Acts passed at different times granting allowances to certain Officers & Soldiers, their widows and Orphans, and their legal representatives for services rendered in the Revolutionary War with Great Britain. That he is the Administrator of John Campion Senior Deceased who was a private soldier in the Company commanded by Captain Maybin and Captain __, in the regiments of the North Carolina Militia commanded by Colonel Butler, General Butler, & General Morgan & other officers in the War of the Revolution.

That the said John Campion Senior entered the service in said War for the term of during the War, that about the 11th day of February A.D. 1782 and was honorably discharged at Granville Court House, North Carolina on the 10th day of June A.D. 1783.

That he was in the following engagements to wit in the battle of Guilford Court House on the 15th day of March A.D. 178_, and at different and divers other times & places, That he marched during his tour of service into Greensboro & Salem & from Salem on Dan River, and various other places in the said State of North Carolina, as he this deponent has reason to believe & does believe, from statements made by the said deceased Soldier treaty as to his death, to the deponent, in "*propria persona*"; and further that the said Soldier served under the following named Officers in addition to the above named officers to wit

That there is no other documentary Evidence in the knowledge of this deponent, Except the Certified Copy of the Comptroller of the State of North Carolina's Record of Revolutionary Services, and Allowance showing allowances due the said soldier at the close of the said Revolutionary War, and which allowances as exhibited by the Copies of said Service & indents, which is here with filed and asked to be taken and considered as part of this petition – your petitioner states as he has reason to believe, and does believe, and State never has paid to the said

Soldier in, or during, his lifetime nor since his death to any other person since his death. That the said Copies of the Indents from the Comptroller Records in his Office in the city of Raleigh State of North Carolina is here with filed as aforesaid & marked "Exhibit A".

That the said John Champion Senior deceased Soldier as aforesaid served about nine months at least as deponent is informed & believes in the Hillsboro and Halifax Districts in the State of North Carolina, which said Hillsboro District includes the County of Granville in said State of North Carolina and the residence of the said Soldier at the time he entered the said Service. That there was due said soldier which said soldier never drew the following sums of money as shown by said Certified Copy marked "Exhibit A" to wit –

"Indent No. 53 = £9.2.0 June 10th 1783"=

Indent No 605 = £10.4.0 specie June 10th 1783"=

Book No. 8, Page 12 £ 9.2.0. Specie- =

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of __ Dollars, which your petitioner as may be allowed him with interest thereon. The following in the Halifax District Book No. 23 Page 66, £13.10.5 Specie Equal to __ Dollars & __ Cents – Indent No. 5539. £13.10 Specie February 11 1782 – in the aggregate in the Hillsboro & Halifax Districts to the sum of __ Dollars all of which he prays may be allowed your petitioner.

That the said John Champion Deceased Soldier as aforesaid left a widow, named Temperance who died on the 7th day of August A.D. 1841.

That the following are the only Surviving children of the said Soldier to it your petitioner that is to say John Champion, Junior, of Oktibbeha County in the State of Mississippi also Willis Champion and Elizabeth Smith both of Hinds County in the State of Mississippi. That he was married to the said Temperance on the __ day of __ A.D. 1787 in the County of Granville in the State of North Carolina and that the maiden name of said Temperance was Temperance Harris previous to her said marriage as aforesaid, that they were married by one – name unknown – And that the said Soldier died at __ in Granville County in the State of North Carolina on the 2nd day of September A.D. 1837, and further that there is no public Record of his marriage and that there is no private Record of his marriage.

He hereby appoints Samuel B Hollinshead Esquire of Starkville Mississippi is true and lawful attorney with power of substitution to prosecute this his Claim, to receive the Certificate when issued and to do all other acts necessary & proper in the premises.

S/ John Champion, Junior, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me with his mark who states upon his oath that the matters and things contained in the above, and foregoing Declaration are true as to the matters and things stated upon his own information & knowledge and as to the matters, and things stated upon information of others he believes them to be true; and that I said Clerk Certify that I know the said John Champion Junior and I believe him to be as above stated, and that he is of the age above stated, and further that I am not interested in his claim as attorney or otherwise.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court now in Session July Term A.D. 1858.

S/ W. C. Bishop, Clerk of Probates