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Pension Application of Shadrack Clark R2019
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VA

State of Virginia: Lunenburg County to wit:

On this 6th day of November 1841, personally appeared before me James Neal a Justice of the peace in and for said County, Field Clark jr, the son of Shadrack Clark, a resident of said county and State, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration of his Fathers services in the Revolutionary War, as stated by him, in order that said Shadrack Clark may obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832.

That said Shadrack Clark was raised in Chesterfield County, State of Virginia, and is now aged about 82 years, according to the Family Register; that he resided in said County untill about 1780, when he removed to Lunenburg County, where he has ever since resided. That said Shadrack Clark has been deranged, or insane, for the last 35 years: insomuch, that he has been all [at?] times totally incapable of taking care of himself, or his Estate. That prior to his derangement he was a sensible man, and capable of transacting any description of business.

The said Shadrack Clark often stated before me, that in the latter part of 1775 or about that time, whilst a resident of Chesterfield County, State of Virginia, he enlisted or was drafted in the Virginia Minute, or Continental service, under Capt [John] Markham, for the term of ... months, and that he was attached to the ... Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col [Patrick] Henry [Francis] Eppes, and others during the service. That during the latter part of said service, he was taken sick, and obtained a furlough to come home, and was put on board a Vessel, and during his passage was robbed of his Pocket Book, Furlough, Money & papers. That the over night [?] he offered to pay the Captain of the Vessel for his passage, and afterwards finding that his Pockett Book & money was stolen, he was landed by the Captain free of Charge. The said Furlough of course cannot be furnished. That upon his removal to Lunenburg County, he was drafted in ... in the militia of said County, for three months, under Capt Mackey, which company marched to Yorktown. That he was in actual service something like 12 months.

The said Field Clark jr further declares in behalf of his Father, that had he known the proper course to be pursued in cases of this description, (of which he was only recently informed) he would have prosecuted a Declaration for his Father, long before the present time. That he can find no documentary evidence or ever got the papers of his Father, many of which were lost or destroyed by him whilst in a state of derangement. He begs leave, however to file some affidavits which accompany this Declaration, as proof in support of the Claim. The said applicant in behalf of his Father, hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension, or annuity, except the present, and declares that his Father's name, to the best of his knowledge and belief, is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State.

[signed] Field Clark Jr

Virginia: Lunenburg County to wit:

This day Mary Beach a resident of said County, came before me a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid, and made oath, that she is now about 94 years of age, and that she was raised in Chesterfield County, and resided there during the whole of the Revolutionary War. That she well recollects, that Shadrack Clark, formerly of Chesterfield, and now of Lunenburg County, was a soldier under Capt Markham from Chesterfield in 1775 either in the Virginia Minute, or continental service, (she does not know which) and was in the service something like Twelve Months. He belonged to 1st Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col. Henry, & others. Mary herXmark Beach

NOTE: A letter dated 14 Jan 1853 stated that "old Mr. Clark is dead, leaving surviving Children."