

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Richard Fenwick R3497      Ann Fenwick   MD  
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DISTRICT OF Columbia, ss.

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the circuit court of the United States for the said district, personally appeared Richard Fenwick aged 57 years, resident in Washington in the said district, who being by me 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 Richard Fenwick enlisted in Annapolis in the State of Maryland in the year 1779 in the company commanded by Captain Edward Spurrier of the fourth Maryland Regiment and Maryland line; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until the end of the war, when he was discharged from service in Hillsborough state of North Carolina, that he was in some skirmishes during his said service and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the annexed affidavit.

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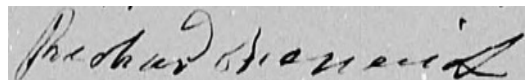
Personally appears before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the circuit court of the United States for the said district, Richard Forrest, and makes oath in due form of law, that he recollects having seen Mr. Fenwick the declarant, whilst he was a soldier in the revolutionary army; that he the deponent was born in the neighbourhood of Mr. Fenwicks, and knows of his having been in the said army – that it was a matter of notoriety in the neighbourhood, and that he believes the foregoing declaration of the said Fenwick to be true. Given under my hand at Washington in the said district this 28<sup>th</sup> April 1818

District of Columbia    ss.

On this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1820, personally appeared, in the Circuit Court of the District of Columbia for the County of Washington Richard Fenwick aged sixty years, resident in Washington county in said district, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: for the term of three years, in the fourth Maryland Regiment under the command of Col. Hall.

And in pursuance of the act of the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 to wit 2 old Bureaus, 9 old chairs, 12 Tumblers, 2 decanters, 1 looking glass, pair andirons shovel & tongs 2 dozen plates 2 old walnut tables 1 pine table, 2 Bedsteads (pine) 2 pine chests, 2 pine cupboards, 1 pair Flat Irons, 1 Grid iron, 1 spider, 2 Iron pots, 1 spinning wheel, pair small waiters, 3 pitchers, 1 cow, 3 pigs 1 Tea Kettle, doz cups & saucers ½ doz. tea spoons ½ doz knives & forks 1 axe and 1 hatchet

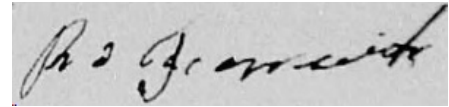
Wages 96 cents per day as porter to the Bank of the Metropolis his family consists of his wife aged 57 years & two sons the one aged 18 years the other 16 the former very infirm the latter gets 31 cents per day; & an Orphan Child



County of Washington Ss.

On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 1826, personally appeared in open court being the Circuit Court for the County of Washington District of Columbia Richard Fenwick resident in said County, aged sixty seven years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820; that he the said Richard Fenwick enlisted for the term of three years on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year 1781 in the state of Maryland in the company commanded by captain Edw'd. Spurrier in the 4<sup>th</sup> Maryland Regiment commanded by Colonel Hall in the line of the State of Maryland on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps until seventeen Hundred & eighty three when he was discharged from the service, in Hillsboro in the State of Virginia [sic], that his name has been placed on the pension list, and dropped therefrom on account of his daily income from the Bank of the Metropolis

[Oath similar to the preceding] 2 old bureaus, 9 old chairs, 12 tumblers, 2 decanters, 1 looking glass, pair andirons, shovel & tongs, 2 dozen plates, 2 old walnut tables, 1 pine table, 2 bedsteads (pine) 2 pine Chests, 2 pine Cupboards, 1 pair flat irons, 1 grid iron, 1 spider, 2 iron pots, 1 spinning wheel, pair small waiters, 3 pitchers, 1 cow, 1 tea kettle, Doz cups & saucers ½ doz. tea spoons ½ doz knives & forks 1 axe and 1 hatchet, wages 96 cents per day as porter to the bank of the Metropolis; when unable to attend to my duties (which frequently occurs from inability) I am obliged to hire a person to do them for me, for which I pay the same amount allowed me by the Bank. I am sixty seven years old & my wife is sixty four, very infirm & perfectly blind. I maintain two orphans (my deceased daughter's children), the girl 13 & the boy 9 years of age. I am indebted to Mr J Nourse \$60.— for house rent. My rent is eighty dollars per annum. That, since the exhibition of my first schedule no change of consequence has been made in my property

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. Fenwick". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.

NOTE: On 2 Nov 1848 Elizabeth Simmons and Susan Dant of Washington applied for a pension in the name of their mother, Ann Fenwick, who died on 22 July 1830. They listed the other surviving children as Mary Hopkins, Margaret Carroll[?] of Baltimore, Richard Washington Fenwick, and Robert Welch Fenwick, and they stated that Elizabeth Simmons, Susan Dant, and Margaret Carroll were still living. They stated that their father, Richard Fenwick, lived in Washington for 20 years before his death on 26 March 1829.