

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Bledsoe R3672

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State of Kentucky }

County of Carroll }

On this twenty seventh day of February eighteen hundred and Forty-four pearsonally appeared before me the undersign a Justes of the Peace in and for the above written County and State Judith Forsee a resident of the County of Carroll and State of Kentucky aged seventy-eight years who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the acts of Congress, passed July 7, 1838, and the 23d of August, 1842, granting pensions to widows of persons who searved during the revolutionary war; That she is the widow of James Bledsoe who was a soldier of the revolution in the regular army from the County of Culpper [sic: Culpeper] and State of Virginia. That he was three years in the servis. She is unable to state the officers that he searved under and the battles that he was engaged in owing to the great length of time and old age and consequent loss of memory. But she distinctly recollects his going to the army, of his tilling her that she must not get married until his time was out in the army, that he was at home three or four times during the war ans was to see her evry time he was on furlough; but from the late date of the law to embrace her case she fears that she will be unable to get the evidence that is required by the department that there is no person living that she recollects of at this time that was with him in the army. But she knows that he left home to go to the army and she has frequently heard men who searved with him say that he was a good soldier and was prompt in obaying his officers

She has had one child and she was born in seventeen hundred and eighty-six. She hopes that the department will grant her pension on the evidence that she presents, as that is all that can be found owing to the late passage of the law She also declares that she was married to the said James Bledsoe in the month of August seventeen hundred and eighty-five in the County of Culpper Virginia that her husband, the aforsaid James Bledsoe died on the nineteenth day of March seventeen hundred and ninty-nine, in the County of Franklin Kentucky; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the servis but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninty-four viz at the time above stated She further declares, that after the death of the aforsaid husband, she was maried to William Forsee on the eighteenth day of March eighteen hundred and seven in the County of Franklin Kentucky; that he died on the eleventh day of September eighteen hundred and thirty-eight in the last written County and State; and that she is still a widow. This is the family record of my sone-in law John Tandy coppied from my husband's James Bledsoe's family record which is lost. this record is in the hand write of John Tandy which shows that my daughter Sally Tandy was born in the year 1786 May 30th

Judith herXmark Forsee

NOTE: The family record transcribed below was certified by Sarah Tandy, 57, as being in the handwriting of her husband. Ann Wayland, 72, certified the statement of her sister, Judith Forsee

John Tandy was born September the 21<sup>st</sup> 1777

Sally Tandy was born in the year of 1786 May 30

Elizabeth ann Davis daughter of Hardin and Lucinda Davis was born August the 5th 1823

Sarah Davis was born July the 9<sup>th</sup> 1826

Martha Davis was born September the 21<sup>st</sup> 1830

George William Davis was born April thirtyeth[?] 1833