

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Andrew Fulton R3848 Elizabeth Fulton VA?
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[There was no formal application in the file. The following letter is the only document with substantial information.]

Staunton July 5th 1847

D'r Sir [James L. Edwards, Pension Commissioner] Since the papers in the case of Elizabeth Fulton were sent to your office I have procured the affidavit of Andrew McClure who testifies that he was present at the Marriage of Andrew Fulton to Elizabeth Hall which took place in the year 1783. This was one year before the passage of the act of the Legislature of Va requiring bonds to be given by the [illegible word] obtaining marriage Licences and requiring those who solemnise marriages to make the returns – you will perceive by an enumeration of the papers that the Clerk of the County Court certifies that there are no records running further back than 1785. I presume this will be satisfactory upon this because of the cause[?] – it is objected that Mrs Fulton does not state in her declaration that her husband served more than his Tour of duty to Guilford [possibly at the Battle of Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] – this is true and she is unable to amend her declaration her memory is so far gone she is now upwards of ninety that her recollection is very indistinct. The only evidence she has to rely on is that of MCutchan who says he is satisfied Fuller served more than one Year during the revolution. considering the extreme difficulty of getting proof the hard service Fulton is known to have rendered his wounds the necessities of his widow all I humbly conceive call for a liberal view of the case. MCutchans evidence is so strongly persuasive of the fact that Fulton served long enough to entitle his widow to a pension that we hope it may be viewed liberally and allowed with the total evidence we ask a review of the case and to be allowed of the result at this place

Very respectfully

David S. Young

NOTE: The file includes a letter from Congressman Andrew Steele Fulton dated 10 Jan 1848 requesting information in the case. <http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=F000419>