

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Massey R7005

Bathia Massey

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State of Tennessee County of Henderson: SS

On this twenty seventh day of July, A.D. 1853, personally appeared before me the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Dorcas Muns, aged about 80 years, who being first duly sworn doth, on her oath, declare that she is the daughter of Joseph Massey, who was a private in the Company Commanded by Capt. Joseph Rhodes, that he, the said Joseph Massey, was mustered into service at the Cross Roads in Duplin County in the State of North Carolina, that the said Joseph Massey substituted in said Rhodes' company in the place of John Hammon and that he, the said Joseph Massey served until peace was declared or thereabouts, and that he died before or shortly after being discharged, before he reached home, on the Fever he contracted whilst in service leaving a widow and six children. Said widow, Bathia Massey died in the year 1847, about the last June leaving two children to wit Dorcas Muns and Stephen Massey. She further declares that the said Stephen Massey is [much of the remaining portion of this document is illegible due to having been written over]... for the benefit of herself & her brother, the said Stephen Massey, to which the services of their father and his death in the line of his duty and service of his country entitles them.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension to which her mother is entitled, from the close of the Revolutionary war until her death.

S/ Dorcas Muns, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written.

S/ Wm Stewart, JP