

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Miller R7189

Eve Miller

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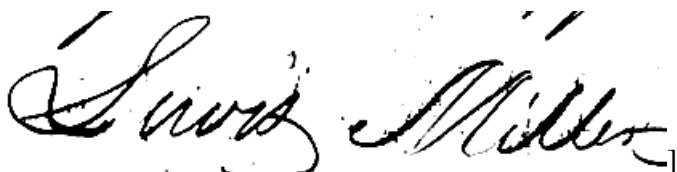
State of Tennessee Knox County:

On this 31st day of July 1851 before me Calvin B Hansard a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Eve Miller a resident of said County aged one hundred years and six months and makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 4th of July 1836. That she is the widow of John Miller who was a Captain in the Virginia State Troops in the Revolutionary War. That she is unable to tell the length of time that her husband John Miller (aforesaid) served in said War or the year in which he done said service, but thinks he belonged to Colonel Joseph Martin's Regiment. That she makes this application supposing that the Rolls of the department will show the service of her aforesaid husband and hopes the department will search out the same. She further swears that she married the above mentioned John Miller before he performed said service viz. in 1776 the day and month not now recollected.

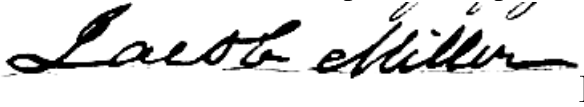
She further declares that her husband John Miller aforesaid died in Knox County Tennessee on the 25th of August 1832 that before his death he employed an attorney to obtain his pension under the Act of the 7th of June 1832 but that he said Miller died before his counsel had done anything in his case. She further states that she did not know that she was entitled to a pension until many years since the law allowing widows Pensions was passed in 1836 and that she has never filed any declaration until the present one. Sworn and subscribed the day and year last above mentioned.

S/ Eve Miller, X her mark

[p 10: On September 2, 1852 in Anderson County Tennessee, Lewis Miller gave testimony that he was well acquainted with the veteran and his widow; that they were always recognized in their neighborhood as being legally married; that John Miller kept during his life a family record in a large Bible which the affiant has often seen; the record is in the handwriting of Bartly Reams and others; according to that record the oldest child of the veteran and his wife was named Polly who if living would be 69 years old; that said Bible was sold after the death of John Miller and purchased by one Hamon Condrey

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lewis Miller". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

[p 12: On July 31, 1851 in Knox County Tennessee, Jacob Miller a resident of said County gave an affidavit in support of the claim of the widow saying that he was well acquainted with John & Eve Miller who lived together as husband and wife; that a short time before his death John Miller hired Thomas L Williams to procure his pension but died before he could file his application.

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 17th day of November 1783, in the name of John Miller, as a Captain Inf. Cro: R. [?] for £143.7.6, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Major Hunter and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
28th day of July 1852.

S/ G. W. Clutter, Act'd Adr.

[p 7: Power of attorney dated January 27th 1854 executed in Grainger County Tennessee by Lewis Miller, Jacob Miller, Isaac Miller, Nancy Lay, Elizabeth Graves & Rachel Cox, residents of Knox & Anderson Counties in Tennessee in which they claim they are the heirs of Eve Miller the widow of Captain John Miller; they state that Eve Miller died August 2, 1853.]