

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Austin Newman R7625

Elizabeth Newman

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State of Tennessee, Jefferson County

On this 4th day of November 1839 personally appeared before the County Court of the County and State aforesaid Elizabeth Newman a resident of said County of Jefferson aged 83 years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to Certain widows": That she is the widow of Austin Newman who was a private in the Army of the revolution, that he was engaged in the Service about 2 years and a half, that he was according to her belief enlisted, and as to the officers names in the service he performed reference is had to the Certificates of William Newman and Polly Martindale. That she has no record proof of her marriage, but relies on the Testimony of herself and the Testimony of the aforesaid Newman & Martindale there being no License issued in South Carolina. She further declares that she was married to the said Austin Newman on the 18th day of March in the year 1786, that her husband the aforesaid Austin Newman died on the 22nd day of September 1818, that she was [not] married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794: at the time above stated and that she has had 9 children by her said husband, that she has no family record of their ages but that the following is a true statement of the times of their Births; Rachel Newman was born the 14th of January 1787. Sarah Newman was born on the 20th May 1788, William Gammon was born on the 12th March 1791, Edy Newman was born on the 10th January 1793, Elizabeth Newman was born the 20th April 1795, Austin Newman was born the 18th December 1799, Polly Newman was born the 21st April 1802, Phalby Linton was born on the 22nd May 1804, David Newman was born on the 10th October 1806.

Sworn to and Subscribed on the day and year above written before

S/ Joseph Hamilton, Clerk

S/ Elizabeth Newman, X her mark

[p 6: On March 18, 1844 in Jefferson County, Tenn., Rachael Ellison gave an affidavit in support of the claim of her mother saying she, Rachael, was the eldest child of Austin and Elizabeth Newman; that she is in the 60th year of age; that she recalls her father speaking of his service under Captain James Mitchell in the 'regular' service; that her mother is very old, in her dotage and has been blind for 6 years. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 10: On Oct. 25, 1854, Edy Hall gave a power of attorney to pursue the claims of Austin and

Elizabeth Newman. She signed this document with her mark. Her relationship, if any, to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated.]]

[p 16: Rutherford County, NC, on Oct. 9, 1839, Polly Martindale gave an affidavit that she was present at the marriage of Austin Newman to Elisabeth Woolbanks in SC, Union District in the year 1786 or thereabout; that Austin Newman died in the 65th year of his age and that he served in the Revolution for the space of two years or more as a soldier under Captain Talor [Taylor?]; that he entered the service in 'for feld Destrict' [Fairfield District?]. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 21: Rutherford County, NC, on Oct. 9, 1839, William Newman gave an affidavit that he was present when Austin Newman married Elizabeth Woolbanks in Union District, SC in 1786 or there about; that Austin Newman died in his 65th year; that Austin Newman served in the Revolution 2 years or more under 'Capt. Taylor entered in the seveys in Farfield Dist South Carolina [Fairfield District].' He signed his affidavit with his mark.]