

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George S. Oadham (Odom, Oldham) R7784

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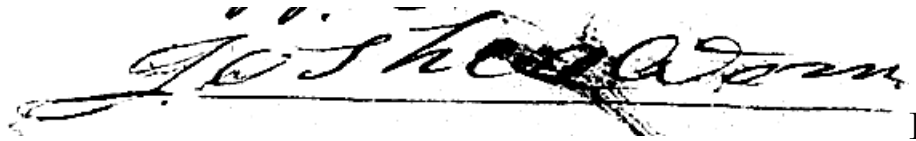
Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of July 7, 1838 & Act of March 3, 1843, June 17, 1844 in February 2, 1848 Granting pensions to Widows

State of Tennessee Hancock County: SS

On this 1st day of March 1852 Personally appeared Jane Oadham a resident of Hancock County Tennessee aged 85 years past, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the above mentioned Acts of Congress allowing Pensions to certain Widows; that she is the widow of George S Oadham who was a private in the Virginia Continental line (this affiant cannot tell the name of his officers under whom he served, only that he belonged to Morgan's [Daniel Morgan's] Riflemen) before he went into service he resided in Fauquier County Virginia. This affiant thinks her husband the aforesaid George Oadham went into service in the year 1779 or 1780 that he served in the Southern part of the Army; for she distinctly recollects to hear him say he was in the Battle at Cowpens South Carolina [January 17, 1781], She further states that she often heard her husband aforesaid say that he served in all 25 months, first as a mounted man one tour and then the Southern tour as above stated. – She further swears that she was married to the aforesaid George S Oadham in the year 1783 by Publication in Fauquier County Virginia by the Reverend Mr. Munro. That the Banns were Published at Crooked Run Church in the aforesaid County. She further declares that her husband removed from Fauquier County Virginia to North Carolina. That he Departed this life in Lincoln County NC on the 27th day of October 1819. She further states that she cannot now recollect the day and month in which she was married but is certain that it was in the year 1783. She can come at this fact from her age at the time of her marriage which was sixteen at her marriage. 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 (the is) at the time above stated. She further declares that she knows of no person now living by whom she can prove the above facts. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before me
S/ F. Wells S/ Jane Oadham, X her mark

[f p. 11: Joshua Oadham gave testimony in 1853 in Hancock County Tennessee that he was well acquainted with George S Oadham [sic] whose widow has sworn to the above declaration and that said George S Oadham died October 27 1819 in Lincoln County North Carolina.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George Oldham", written over a horizontal line. The signature is dark and somewhat faded, with some ink bleed-through or smudging. A small bracket-like mark is visible at the end of the line.

[Facts in file: The veteran married Jane Russell in Fauquier County Virginia in 1783; they had 14 children; the only one named in the file is George who died "some years" prior to 1857. Two reports appear in the file relating to a veteran named George Oldham: one report was from the state of Virginia that shows that a veteran by that name who served as a Lieutenant in the Continental line was granted a land bounty by the state of Virginia which was given to his heirs: Sally Ashby, Rosetta White, Ann Davis, Fanny Harrell, Mary Murphy, Thomas Wise, Montain Oldham & Leroy Oldham. The other report was from the state of North Carolina and related to a George Oldham who served as a Captain in the North Carolina militia.]