

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Pool R8315

Catharine

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State of Georgia Pike County: SS

I Benson Roberts an acting Justice of the Inferior Court in and for this Pike County State of Georgia it being a Court of record Be it known that on this 27 day of October 1846 personally appeared before me Mrs. Catharine Pool a resident of this Pike County & State aforesaid and has resided in said County for the space of one year past aged seventy-nine 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed July the 7th A.D. our Lord 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows that she is the widow of William Pool who was a soldier and served in the War of the Revolution as a private as she believes in always understood from said William Pool and others who resided at the time of his Service in Lunenburg County in the State of Virginia but as to give the particular dates & periods of his entering the service & leaving the same she cannot do other than proceed as she recollects that her husband the said William Pool has often told in his lifetime that he served as much as 5 years was in several Battles received a wound in one battle the scar of which she the said Catharine Pool has often as she believes and always understood Served a part of his time under Company officers and then enlisted for and during the war and continued in the line of his duty until the close of the same was at the taking of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] as she believes in always understood from her Husband the said William Pool that she does not recollect the names of the officers that the said William Pool served under other than Captain William Hays and General Green [?] and General Washington that she has no documentary Proof in her Possession of her said husband's services and does not know of any person living who could testify to any part of his services other than Jacob Ray who resides in Tellaferrie County [Taliaferro County] State of Georgia if living at this time or was the last account she had from him that her husband the said William Pool and Jacob Ray was raised in the same settlement in Virginia and both removed to the state of Georgia and lived neighbors until the death of her husband the said William Pool that she has no documentary proof of her marriage in her possession her youngest son who lives in Columbia County State of Georgia having her family record in his possession that contains the ages of her children in the order of their Births that she further declares that she was legally married in Lunenburg County in the State of Virginia where they both resided Ceremony Solemnized by the Reverend John Nibett her family Record not being present she has to arrive at the date of her marriage by calculation was married in her 22nd year of her age and now in her 80th year of age which would make the date of Marriage in 1788 removed from Lunenburg County in the State of Virginia to Wilkes County Georgia which part is now cut off into Taliaferro County and State aforesaid She further declares that her Husband the said green Pool died in the year 1828 on Easter Monday it being the 6th day of April that she was not married to

him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place before the first day of January 1894 does not recollect whether her said husband ever had any discharge or not and at this late period she cannot give a narrative of circumstances agreeable to the rules laid down by the Commissioner of Pensions and that she still remains the widow of the said William Pool and has ever since the Period of his death as to proof of her said husband's services the date of her marriage and of her said husband's death she refers to prove that may be hereunto annexed that she further declares that she never knew until recently that Congress had ever made any provision for widows whose husbands died before the act was passed in 1832 pension in such soldiers as served in the war of the Revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of October 1846

S/ Benson Roberts, J I C

S/ Catharine Pool, X her mark

[f p. 6: On October 27, 1846 in Pike County Georgia, Elijah Pool gave testimony that he is the son of Mrs. Catharine Pool; that he is 45 years old and that he has always understood his father was a soldier in the Revolution. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]