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Pension application of John Prescott R8446

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Before me Charles Tessier Judge of the Parish of East Baton Rouge State of Louisiana

It being a Court of record personally came and appeared John Prescott, who being sworn according to law saith that he served as a Captain during the whole of the war of the revolution first as a volunteer & the last 3 years in the 3rd Regiment of horse in the South Carolina line commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Philemon Warters [sic, Philemon Waters], that he entered the service with the first troops raised in that State & was honorably discharged sometime in October 1781 by Colonel Waters, and that his discharge is lost and that he has never received any pension from the United States and does hereby relinquish every claim allowed him by the laws of the United States previous to the Act of the 18th of March 1818 and titled an Act "to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval service of the United States -- in the revolutionary War." This affiant further saith that he has no property or estate of any description except wearing apparel -- And I John Prescott do hereby solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income having no estate or property to include in a schedule -- And I do further swear that I am by old age and bodily infirmity unable to obtain a living and am now dependent for support upon the charity of the public --

The foregoing declaration was subscribed & sworn to by Captain John Prescott before made this 11th day of July 1826 in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal of said Court at Baton Rouge State of Louisiana the day and year above mentioned.

Sworn to before me

S/ Ch. Tessier, JJ

S/ John Prescott, X his mark

[note: Philomen (Philemon) Waters was a militia officer, not an officer in the Continental Line. This application was rejected because the act under which the veteran filed his claim only applied to members of the Continental Army.]