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Pension application of Thomas Robison (Robertson, Robinson) R8892 Mary fn35NC
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State of Tennessee Greene County

On this 13 day of September 1832 personally appeared before me Samuel Caldwell one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for said County Thomas Robison a resident of the County & State aforesaid, aged eighty-eight years of age who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832, that he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers & served as herein stated to wit. That being at the time & previous thereto a resident citizen of Caswell County State of North Carolina he enlisted into the Army of the United States in the Revolutionary War at the Caswell rendezvous Captain Harden of the Regiment commanded by General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene?] but his memory does not serve him as to the number of said Regiment. That said enlistment was for the war -- that Hugh Barnet was his Lieutenant that he served in the Regiment commanded by Greene, until the close of the war, & was discharged by Captain Harden at Hillsborough which discharge he has casually lost in the great lapse of time. That during his servitude he was marched through the States of North Carolina South Carolina & Virginia, but was not in any general battle but skirmishes with the Tories. He states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his services. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state, & that he is unable from bodily infirmity to attend the Court. Sworn to & subscribed before me this day and date first written.

Test

S/ Thomas Robison, X his mark

S/ Samuel Caldwell, JP

I certify that Thomas Robison the declarant resided near me, & to my knowledge was infirmed aged & afflicted with disease that at the time of making his declaration & up to the time of his death was in capable of giving a satisfactory account of his Revolutionary services, that after he had made out the foregoing declaration on more mature reflection he gave the information upon which I wrote to Secretary Hill & obtained the certificate which accompanies, remarked that he was enlisted for three years or the war and was under a Captain Taylor part of his time. The universal belief in the neighborhood was & is that said Robinson was a soldier & I entertained no doubts thereof & that this certificate of Mr. Hill applies to him, I furthermore knew that said Robison is dead & left a widow who is destitute of property.

December 8th 1834

S/ John Blair, Me

State of Tennessee Greene County: On this ___ day of February 1835 before the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for the County appeared Mary Robison widow and relic of the late Thomas Robison deceased and being unable from age & infirmity to attend Court, made & swore to the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits accruing to her as widow of the said Thomas Robison deceased under the act of Congress of June 7th 1832. That her said husband departed this life on the 14th day of March 1833 at his residence in Greene County after having for several years of the latter part of his life almost reverted to childhood, by reason of age and infirmity, insomuch that, his memory was almost lost. That she was married to her said husband in North Carolina and when his memory was strong & vigorous as to the old circumstance relative to his servitude in the Revolutionary war he often stated in her hearing that he was enlisted into the Continental North Carolina line, was in Captain Taylor's company & General Greene's command, served three or more years. Served out the term of his enlistment & was honorably discharged. She cannot certainly state the No. of the Regiment in which her husband served but reference to the Regiment in which Captain Taylor who commanded & in which company he was will show. She states that she knows of no person at this distant day by whom proof of actual service can be made but refers to the rolls to show the same. She therefore prays that the arrears of pension from the time of the passage of the law to the death of her husband be allowed her.

S/ Mary Robinson, X her mark

Sworn to & subscribed before made this ___ day of February 1835

S/ Andrew English, JP

State of Tennessee Greene County: This day personally appeared Agnes Johnson Daughter of Thomas Robertson Deceased before me Andrew English an acting Justice of the peace in and for said County is now in her 67 year and after being duly sworn Deposeth and says that she recollects perfectly well of her father Thomas Robertson starting to the war and her being the oldest of the family she was left at home while her Mother went to see her father in the Army and take some clothes to him and had to nurse her younger brother which was a suckling child and remembers of him returning home from the war and having him say he had got his Discharge and that he had one wagon & one horse prest [pressed] valued to 20 lbs [sic, £20] each which he never received any pay for and stood by the deathbed of her father on the 14 of March 1833 and by reason of old age and infirmities that he was for the last 12 years of his life not more than half of his time able to get up off his chair without help.

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 17 February 1835. N.B. my Brother that was a suckling child is now in his 56 year.

S/ Andrew English, JP

S/ Agness Johnson, X her mark

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Thomas Robertson a private Soldier in Captain Taylor's company of the 10th Regiment enlisted for 3 years and was mustered in January 1779.

Given under my hand this 26th March 1833.

S/ W. Hill