Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Campbell S35824 VA
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District of Kentucky Sct

On this 27th day of March 1820 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of Fayette for the said District personally appeared John Campbell in said District who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of of the United States in the Revolutionary War that he the said John Campbell enlisted in the year 1776 in the county of Augusta State of Virginia in the Company Commanded by Capt David Stephenson [BLWt2057-400] of the 8th Virginia Regiment Commanded by Col. Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850] and Lieut. Col. Bowman [Abraham Bowman W396] in the Continental line for Two years as a Soldier; that he continued to serve in said Corps, in the service of the United States until the year 1778, when he was Honourable Discharged from the service in February 1778 at Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania by Gen'l. Charles Scott [BLWt2055-850] That he was in Charleston when the Attack was made on that City by Sir Peter Parker [Battle of Sullivans Island, 28 June 1776] and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

State of Kentucky, Fayette Circuit Sct.

Be it remembered, that at a Court held for the Circuit aforesaid at the Court house in Lexington on the twenty third day of September 1820, John Campbell made affidavit in open court, and produced a Schedule of his property, amounting to One hundred and sixty four dollars, agreeably to the Act of Congress of the first of May 1820, which was ordered to be entered of record, in the following words and figures towit: District of Kentucky Sct. Fayette Circuit. On this 23^d day of Sept'r. 1820 personally appeared in open court, being a Court of Record for the said district and circuit of Fayette County, John Campbell, aged sixty three years, resident in Fayette County in said district, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: That he served in Capt'n. David Stephenson's company in the 8th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colo. Bowman on Continental line, and that the date of his original declaration was on the 27th day of March 1820 (the declaration is here annexed) And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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 18th 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 other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

One Horse worth \$40.00
three Cows – \$12 each 36.00
Two one year old steers 12.00
Two Calves \$3 each 6.00
Six Sheep \$1 each 6.00
One wheat Fan 12.00
One Rifle Gun 12.00
Working Tools in all 40.00
\$164.00

John Campbell

His Ocupation is a farmer, but from old age and a sore leg which he has had for many years, he is scarcely able to labour at any thing. He has nine children, towit, James, Archibald, Rachael, Sally, Jane, Mary, Anna, Rebecca and Cyntha, the oldest is 29 and the youngest is Eleven years old, but his children being mostly females, are rather an Expence than otherwise. One of his daughters is labouring under a palsy & is entirely helpless.

[The following are from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

State of Indiana } S.S.

On this 12th day of August in the year of 1844 personally appeared in Probate Monroe County } Court now Sitting in Bloomington in the State of Indiana for the County of Monroe and State aforesaid being a court of Record by Virtue of the Laws of the State of Indiana Archabald Campbell of said County and state aged forty three years past and after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain for the Heirs of John Campbell 2^d deceased late of Monroe County Indiana who was before and at the time of his death a pensioner of the United States and who was in his life time entitled to a certain Land Bounty by virtue of the laws of Virginia or of the Congress of the United States by virtue of his enlistment and Services as a Soldier in the Revolutionary war for evidence of which refference is respectfully given to the testimony in the war department of the United States or a copy of the said testimony in the said war department upon which the said John Campbell 2^d was placed on the pension list rolls of the Kentucky thence transfered to the Indiana Agency for paying pensions. That he at various times heard and listened to his Father when giving an account of his Services and his suffering many privations when a Soldier in said revolution and of his saying at various times that there was two hundred acres of Land Bounty or upwards of that amount due him for said enlistment and Services. The declarant is fully satisfied and believes from what he recollects hearing his father say that there was two hundred acres at least of Land Bounty promised by the said State of Virginia or the Congress of the United States to Soldiers who enlisted and served under certain special regulations and laws of Virginia or laws of the United States or both and his father was thereby entitled. That his father resided in Virginia in the County of Augusta at the time of his entering the Service and that he served two years that for said enlistment and services his father John Campbell 2^d was entitled to said two hundred acres of Land Bounty or upwards and the declarant is confident that his father never sold nor parted with his claim or title to said Land Bounty nor did his father ever apply personally or by Agent to obtain said Land Bounty And under the general circumstances now governing said claim the declarant now claims said Land Bounty for the following Heirs of the said John Campbell 2^d; to wit; James Campbell Archibald Campbell Elizabeth Campbell who intermarried with John Umsteattd[?] Jane Campbell who intermarried with James Juvinall Rebecca Campbell who intermarried with Johnson McCollough Sarah Campbell who intermarried with John C. Hark Ann Campbell who intermarred with Alexander Blakely and Cynthia Campbell that all the aforesaid children of John Campbell 2^d are now living and residents of Monroe County State of Indiana except Ann who intermarried with said Alexander Blakely who is now one of the lawfull Heirs. That the declarant respectfully refers to the testimony in the United States war office as before noted upon which the said John Campbell 2^d obtained his pension certificate to proove his claim to said Land Bounty and also gives refferance to the records and vouchers in the said department for additional proof if necessary as regards the said identical named persons being the legal Heirs of the said John Campbell 2^d by which latter proof, refered to, the said Heirs applyed for and claims the arrears of pension due said John Campbell 2^d at the time of his death. The said claim to said arrears of pension being this day proven in the said Probate Court to be the vested right and patrimony belonging to the aforesaid named Heirs who have legally empowered George W. Hardin to obtain said Land Bounty according to the arraingments of congress to pay the said and such claims. The declarant believes the Heirs of said claim who have intermarried with his sisters before named knows but little if any particulars about said claim and that by family tradition [signed] Archibald Campbell

[The file contains a copy of a power of attorney to George W. Hardin signed on 5 Aug 1844 by the heirs of John Campbell: John C Hooke, James Juvinall, Archibald Campbell, Alexander Blakely, James Campbell, Johnson McCollough, John Umstaltd[?], and Cynthia Campbell.]

State of Indiana } S.S.

Monroe County } On this 12th day of August 1844 personally apeared in open Probate Court sitting in Bloomington Monroe County and State aforesaid a court of Record by virtue of the laws of the State of Indiana David Baker of the aforesaid County and State aforesaid and made oath that he was personally acquainted with and knew the aforesaid John Campbell 2^d deceased mentioned in the foregoing declaration of Archibald Campbell for the space of twenty two years before his death. That having heard read the before noted declaration of Archibald Campbell before written believe it strictly in substance true and from acquaintance with the said John Campbell in his lifetime and an acquaintance and knowledge of all the family for twenty two years know the aforesaid identical persons named as his children and the identical persons to whome his daughters were intermarried to be his lawfull Heirs as set forth and represented in the affidavit of Archibald Campbell on the first and second pages of this sheet and that all of the aforesaid children and persons legal Heirs of said John Campbell 2^d except the aforesaid Ann deceased are living and residents of this, Monroe County State of Indiana at this period and also except Rachel Campbell who died since the death of her father

[signed] David Baker

NOTES:

On 6 Feb 1834 Campbell applied to have his pension transferred to Monroe County IN where he had moved because "he supposed he could better his condition and live more comfortably." The application was signed as shown

A note on his pension certificate states that John Campbell died on 18 Dec 1838.