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Pension Application of Levi Williams S36393

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DISTRICT OF Columbia, SS.

On this second day of May 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of the District of Columbia, personally appeared Levi Williams aged fifty six years, resident in the County of Alexandria in the 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 the United States in the revolutionary war:" That he, the said Levi Williams enlisted in Fairfax County in the state of Virginia, in the company commanded by Captain Robert Woodson of the Regiment of Infantry commanded by Colo. Gaskin [sic: Thomas Gaskins]; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until about the first of December seventeen hundred & eighty one, when he was discharged from service in the Hospital at Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] in Virginia, that he was in no battles except the engagement in taking from the Enemy a nine-Gun battery in York old Fields 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.

[A George Williams certified that Levi Williams had been a soldier.]

District of Columbia SS.

On this 31st day of October 1820, personally appeared, in open court, being a court of record for the said district, Levi Williams aged about fifty nine years, resident in Alex'a 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: to wit in the seventh Virg'a Reg;t. commanded by Col. Giston, in the company commanded by Capt Rob't. Woodson in the Virginia line on Continental establishment. that he has been on the pension list of the United States: that his pension certificate has no number, & his declaration being on file he has forgotten the date thereof.

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 person 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. that I am a farmer by occupation, and unable to labor but little, and his children & step children of tender age and can contribute but little to his support, and most of them are an expence to him

[signed] Levi Williams

A Schedule of property belonging to Levi Williams a soldier in the Revolutionary War, who was as such placed on the list of Pensioners of the United States for the District of Columbia at the rate of Eight Dollars pr month under an act of Congress of the 18th day of March 1818 and this Schedule of Property and a list of the names and ages of his Children is rendered in conformity to the act of the first of May 1820.

Schedule of his property

Two Horses one a Bay mare about 12 years old and the other a gray about 14 years old

Two Cows & one yearling

Two Hogs, three ploughs, three Hoes, one Table, Six chairs, two Iron pots, one oven, six plates, Six knives

& forks, three spoons, one chest, Three Andirons, two Planes, two axes –

A list of the names & ages of his own Children and the Children of his wife (who was a widow when he married her) who he has to support.

Catharine Williams, fourteen years of age

Ann Williams, twelve years of age

Susan Williams, nine years of age

John Kirby, eleven years of age

Elizabeth Kirby, seven years of age

Levi Williams Five years of age

[signed] Levi Williams

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates compiled at Powhatan Courthouse VA lists the following: Levy Williams/ age 15/ height 5' 4½"/ dark hair/ dark eyes/ fair complexion/ farmer/ born and residing in Fairfax County where he enlisted as a substitute on 19 Feb 1781 for the duration of the war.

A letter dated Georgetown, District of Columbia, 10 Aug 1838 by Mrs. A Vansciver refers to Levi Williams as her father.