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Pension application of Elijah Veach [Veatch] S37498

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State of Kentucky Caldwell County Sct

In the record of proceedings of the Caldwell County Court among others all the following to wit

Be it remembered. At a County Court begun & held in Caldwell County at the Courthouse in the town of Princeton on the 25th day of May 1818

The following proceedings were had to wit

Elijah Veach personally appeared and applied to be heard as an Indigent Soldier of the Continental Revolutionary Army of the United States entitled to the benefit of the law of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 for the relief of such Soldiers, and being duly sworn deposeth and saith, that in January 1777 he enlisted with Lieutenant Springer [probably Uriah Springer] in Colonel Crawford's [probably William Crawford of the 7th VA Regt.] Regiment of Continental troops in the Virginia line in Morganton Virginia for three years that he served three years on that frontier when he was discharged, the proof of which discharge he got recorded in [indecipherable word, *might* be "Roan" meaning Roane¹] County Tennessee but has lost the discharge, that he afterwards enlisted and served ten months under General Sumpter [Thomas Sumter] and was in the battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], Orangeburg [*perhaps* a reference to the action on May 11, 1781] & Dorchester that he was then discharged but has no copy of it & he further swears that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support which is ordered to be certified.

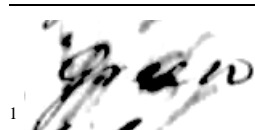
Caldwell County Sct. As clerk of the County Court of said County certify that the foregoing is a true transcript from the records in my office. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, affixed the seal of said County this 5th day of June 1818

S/ John H. Phelps

State of Kentucky Caldwell County to wit

In the Record of proceedings in the County Court of said County among others all the following

Be it remembered that at a County Court begun and held for Caldwell County at the



Courthouse in the Town of Princeton on Monday the 24th day of July 1820 the following proceedings were had to it

On motion of Elijah Veach he produced in Court his affidavit which being sworn to by him was ordered to be recorded and certified according to law which affidavit reads as follows to wit

State of Kentucky Caldwell County SS: On this the 24th day of July 1820, personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for said County Elijah Veach aged sixty-five resident in Caldwell County Kentucky who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: In the 13th Regiment of Virginia Continental Troops that he applied for a pension on the 25th day of May 1818 and that he has received a pension Certificate No. 1291 – 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 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 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, which is one horse worth \$25 one cow worth \$15 one plow and other farming utensils \$12 household furniture worth about \$12, my family consists of a wife 55 years old one daughter 35 years old who is helpless from natural deformity one weakly son 16 years old and an orphan grandson 2 years and 3 months old all of whom are helpless and very little able to assist me by labor. My occupation is that of a farmer at which I am very little able to labor from my age and bodily infirmity.

S/ Elijah Veach, X his mark

[p 17: In a letter dated August 1, 1833 sent from Tompkinsville Kentucky by Joel Yancey, request was made that the Commissioner of pensions write to Mr. Elijah Veatch of Tompkinsville and send him the forms he would need to claim the lands do to Virginia soldiers of whom Mr. Veatch is one.]

[p 9: E. D. Veatch² [sic] filed a power of attorney in Mercer County Kentucky on April 11, 1843 in which he states he is one of the heirs at law of Elijah Veach.


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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 25, 1818, for 3 years service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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South Carolina Audited Accounts³ relating to Elijah Veach

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² I believe it highly probable that this is the same man who in the file relating to [Daniel Veatch R10925](#) stated that he was the son of Daniel Veatch and the nephew of Elijah Veatch [Veach]. The signature of this individual appears to me to be identical on documents found in both files.

³ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for

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I do hereby Acknowledge My self [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] Nicholes Guberry [??] the Negro which I am to Draw from the public of South Carolina for my Service 10 Months for a value Received, & I have taken the oath prescribed by Law. Given under my Hand this 19th day of April 1782

Sworn before me

S/ P Waters, JP

S/ Elijah Veach, X his mark

[p 4 : Printed form of Indent No. 510 Book M dated first of October 1784 “delivered to Mr. Elijah Veach ‘s late Private in Waters’s [Philemon Waters’] Troop, Thomas’s [Lt. Col. John Thomas, Jr.’s] Regiment Sumpter’s [Thomas Sumter’s] Brigade this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Ninety-four pounds Sterling being amount pay and bounty due him for Services in that Troop Together with Interest thereon from the first April 1782 to date hereof Agreeable to Resolution of General Assembly of the Eleventh March last.”]

[p 5: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements by Peter Bocquet, Commissioner of the South Carolina treasury, Thomas Sumter and Henry Haynsworth. How these gentlemen acquired an interest in the Indent is not disclosed by the documents in this file.]

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Addendum to Elijah Veach (Veatch) S37498

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[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Veatch, Elijah.]

State of Kentucky Caldwell County Sect

Elijah Veatch being duly sworn on the Evangelist of Almighty God doth say that Applicant enlisted at Morgantown in the State of Virginia on or about the 8th day of January 1777 into the company commanded by James Hook [S39713] in the 13th Regiment commanded by Colonel William Crawford [BLWt921-500] in the Virginia line on continental Establishment for the term of three years. that deponant served in the said line until about the 12th day of January 1780 three years from the time of his inlistment when he was Honorably discharged by Colonel John Gipson [sic: John Gibson S41578] at Pittsburg in the state of Pennsylvania that deponant at the time of his discharge was in the company commanded by Uriah Springer [R10017] in the 13th Regiment commanded by Col. John Gipson in Brigadier General Muhlenburgs [sic: Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850] Brigade and General Greens [sic: Nathanael Greene] Division in the virginia line on continental establishment; that deponant lost his discharge about the year 1781 in the affair of Orrangeburg South Carolina; that deponant never received any bounty in land for his service. that deponant is Sixty Eight years of age; was at the time of his inlistment of light complexion, blue eyes, fair hair [several illegible words]

Sworn and subscribed this fourth day of September 1823 before me John Bradley a justice of the peace for Caldwell county and State of Kentucky
John Bradley

State of Kentucky Hart County Sct [14 October 1823]

John Defeavors [John Defever W1834] being duly sworn on the Evangelists of Almighty god says that he knew Elijah Veatch in the revolutionary war – that he served in the Virginia Continental establishment in the 13th Regiment and in the company of Uriah Stringer that he knew him in the year 1777 that he inlisted for the term of three years and was honorably discharged at the end of of his term of Service. And further this deponent sayeth not.
John hisXmark Defeavors