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Pension Application of David Ball S37730

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Fauquier county, State & District of Virginia

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Dec'r. in the year 1819 personally appear'd in open court David Ball aged 60 years resident in the county aforesaid and state and district aforesaid who being 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 David Ball in February 1778 entered as a private in a company commanded by Capt. Jno. Blackwell [John E. Blackwell] of the third Virginia Regiment on continental establishment which said regiment was then commanded by Col Wm. Heath [sic: William Heth] and that he remain'd in the service aforesaid in the company and Reg't. aforesaid for twelve months from the time aforementioned, that he was discharg'd regularly and honorably from the said service in the year 1779 at Middlebrook in New Jersey, which said discharge he has since lost and is now unable to produce that he was at the battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] in the service aforesaid that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, that he is blind, and has no other evidence in his power of his said services save the affidavit of Gen'l. Jno Blackwell the captain Jno. Blackwell before mentiond, a certificate of which said affidavit is hereto annexed

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Fauquier County State and District of Virginia

On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court in the County Court of Fauquier Virginia being a Court of record made so by act of Assembly invested with Common Law and Chancery Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount and with the power of fine and imprisonment keeping allso a record of its proceedings David Ball in his sixty second year resident in the said County who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows that he enlisted in Feby 1778 under Capt John Blackwell of the 3<sup>d</sup> Virginia Regiment on continental establishment commanded by Col Heath that he enlisted as a private soldier for twelve months and served the said twelve months in the said Regiment and was honorably discharged that he served as a private soldier in said regiment at the Battle of monmouth. That he was discharged at Middlebrook in Jersey which discharge he hath since lost that the evidence of his services will more fully appear by a reference to his declaration filed in the War Office of the United States made in the County Court of Fauquier on the 28<sup>th</sup> December in the year 1819 and that the date of his pension certificate is 4<sup>th</sup> of May 1820 and the number thereof 16.835 and that he hath not received any thing on account thereof.

I David Ball do 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 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 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 other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. That is to say a life interest in about eighty acres of thin Broken Land in the County of Fauquier That he hath a small man for which he hath been unable to pay and for which he is still in debt one cross legged walnut table half a dozen pewter plates knives and forks three or four stools and benches one cow and calf and a bull and four Hogs and five shoats that I have no wage or profession whatsoever and that I am entirely b[lind] That all my children are grown but are destitute or nearly destitute of property or of obtaining their own

subsistence without Labour

David Ball

NOTE: On 13 Sep 1826 John Ball, administrator, deposed that David Ball died on 29 July 1826.