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Pension Application of Francis Mills S38229

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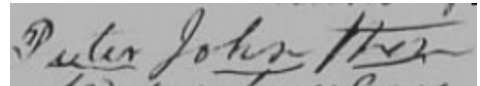
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Virginia

At a superior court of Law continued and held for Washington county at the courthouse
the 2^d day of June 1818

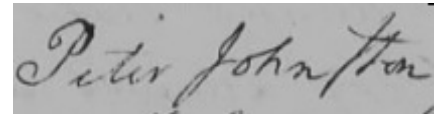
Francis Mills of Scott county in the State of Virginia and an applicant for a pension under the act of Congress “To provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” presented himself in court and declared on oath that he entered the military service of the United States as a private soldier in the month of August in the year 1776 and was of the first Virginia regiment on continental establishment commanded by Colonel John Green [BLWt866-500] – that Captain John Fleming [BLWt409-400; of Goochland County] commanded the company to which he belonged – that he served the entire period for which he was enlisted and was discharged on the first of August 1779, but that he deposited his discharge in one of the public offices in the city of Richmond and cannot obtain possession of it; that he was in the action fought with the British enemy at Monmouth courthouse on the 28th of June 1778 and was occupied in the defence of Mud Island fort [Siege of Fort Mifflin, 12 Oct – 15 Nov 1777] – that he is in the 61st year of his age and from his reduced circumstances needs the assistance of his country for his support. — sworn to & declared before me June 2nd 1818

Peter Johnston [W27629]



From a variety of minute particulars, relative to the names and rank of many Officers belonging to the American army, and to incidents which occurred at different places where the troops were encamped, or while they were in march, detailed by the above named Francis Mills, the Judge of this court, who served about four years in the war of the revolution, is satisfied that the said Mills was a soldier for at least twelve months, in the revolutionary Army: that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for his support.

Given under my hand and private seal (there being no Official Seal of the county in the court house of Washington county, on the 2^d day of June 1818.



Scott County to wit

On this 11th day of December 1821 personally appeared, in Open Court, being a Court of record for the said County, Francis Mills aged sixty four years, resident in Virginia in the said County of Scott, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows, to wit, that he served three years in the first Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Richard Parker [BLWt525-500] & Lieutenant Colonel Ball [Burgess Ball BLWt252-500], in a company Raised by Captain John Fleming which company was commanded by several officers during the three years, to wit, William Lewis [BLWt1300-400] [blank space] Moss [John Moss VAS773] and lastly by Callahil Mines [sic: Calohill Minnis BLWt1507-300] and that he made declaration of his claim before the Circuit Court holden for Washington County Virginia on the second day of June 1818 and received a Certificate for said claim from the war department dated the 22nd day of July 1819 number 12592 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 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 to wit (No estate either Real or personal) That I have followed keeping shooll [sic: school] when able but am so much afflicted with the Rheumattic pains, that I am very seldom able to keep shooll or to do any thing else, my family consists of my wife Agness Mills aged sixty three years & very infirm, my daughters Ann J Mills aged about forty years, Sarah A Mills aged thirty three years, not healthy Mary Mills aged twenty nine years, Agness Mills aged twenty four years, Jane Mills aged twenty two years unhealthy from a child & a son Francis Mills aged 31 years.

Francis Mills Sr

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#). The file also contains an illegible certificate by David Saunders W3872 and a power of attorney written and signed by Francis Mills.]

I do hereby certify that on the first day of August 1776 I enlisted in Capt John Flemings Company (belonging to the first Virginia Regiment which Regiment was Commanded by Colonel Richard Parker and Colonel Burgess Ball) For the term of three years which term of service I performed and received my discharge as an orderly Sergeant The Company was first Commanded by Capt Fleming and afterward [after Fleming's death at the Battle of Princeton, 3 Jan 1777] by several different Captains, lastly by Capt Collohill Minnis. I have never received my Land nor no warrant to Obtain any I am now 64 years of age and have a family to support I pray the Govern and Council to make some provisions for me so that I can get my land my discharge has been lost or misplaced so that I cannot find it

Francis Mills Sr

[Certified in Scott County VA 2 Aug 1822]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Francis Mills Sr". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background and is positioned to the right of the typed name. Below the signature, there are two horizontal lines that appear to be part of the original document's layout or a scanning artifact.