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Pension Application of Smith Beasley S38567

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Virginia City of Williamsburg towit

On this 9th day of July 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the general court of Virginia personally appeared Smith Beasley aged fifty eight or fifty nine years resident in the County of Accomack, 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 Smith Beasley enlisted at Accomack Courthouse under Captain Thomas Parker for 18 months by whom he was marched to Cumberland Barracks where he joined his regiment (name not recollected) and was transferred to Capt Alexander Kirkpatrick by whome he was marched to Winchester and was employed in guarding prisoners. That having served out his full term in the said Corps or in the service of the United States he was discharged at Winchester in Virginia —

That he has now in his possession no evidence of Services save a Certificate of Gen’l Cropper [John Cropper, pension application W3781. See Samuel Russell’s pension application S38344] by whom he has always been known and the affidavit of William Bunting [S37808] of this day and that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the aid and assistance of his country for his support.

Sworn to and declared before me the day & year aforesaid. James Semple

State of Virginia to wit this day William Bunting aged Fifty five years resident of Accomack County in the State aforesaid personally appeared before me, James Semple a Judge of the General Court of the state aforesaid and being duly sworn deposed & said that he has been acquainted with Smith Beasly from the year 1781 that he the said Smith enlisted into the United States Army in the year 1781 in the County of Accomack in the state aforesaid under Capt. Thomas Parker, that he was marched to Cumberland Courthouse and was inoculated, and as he believes the troops marched to that place were intended for the service to the southward, that after the troops recovered from the small pox, the said Smith was marched to Winchester and was employed in guarding the British prisoners at Winchester Virginia and that the said Smith served till the end of his term of 18 months when he was discharged at Winchester in Virginia. Given under my hand & seal this 9th July 1818. James Semple

Commonwealth of Virginia

Accomack County to wit

On this 2nd day of August 1820 Personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record (the said Court proceeding according to the course of the Common law with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of Amount and keeping a record of its proceedings and having the power of fine and imprisonment) Smith Beasley aged sixty years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, That he the said Smith enlisted as a soldier to serve 18 months in a company Commanded by Captain Thomas Parker in the 11th Virginia Regiment (on Continental establishment) that he served the said 18 months and that a pension has heretofore been granted him under the act of Congress passed on the 18th day of March 1818 the certificate of which is numbered 6098 and that the date of his original application was the 9th day of July 1818 and he also solemnly swears that he was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818, and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the

Schedule herewith annexed and by him subscribed. the said Smith further states on Oath that his family consists of himself his wife and a male child that he has no trade and is feeble and unhealthy and is able to do but little his wife is named Fanny and is he supposes nearly as old as he is himself and is healthy and his son is eight years of age is named Edward and is unhealthy the family resides on a small lott of land of about half an acre which they occupy as tenants and cultivate for their subsistence. It is ordered to be certified that it is the opinion of the Court that the total amount in Value of the property Exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is \$5.92

Schedule of all the property of Smith Beasley exclusive of beding and wearing apparel on the 29th July 1820

1 Iron pott 1 spider & Cover 4 Cups & saucers. . .	\$1.62
1 chest, 3 chairs.50
2 pigs 1 wheel.	2.00
1 washing Tub 1 bucket.37
1 Flour Barral 1 small box.25
1 Bucket 1 dish.25
4 spoons (pewter) 1 meat cask.50
1 small Piggin ½ Gallon Earthen jug.18
4 Earthen Plates ¼ Gallon ditto D'o.25
	\$5.92

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[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

John Charnock sen'r [S38598] a Revolutionary pensioner & a man of truth & veracity came before me & made oath that he served 18 months in the 11th Va Regt in a company commanded by Capt Thos. Parker and that Smith Beasly of this County enlisted in said Company for the term of during the War in the year 1780. – served till the war ended. Given under my hand & seal as a Justice of the peace in & for said County this 21st day of Jany 1834. Wm. R. Curtis

Spencer Kellam [W1178] a Revolutionary pensioner & man of truth & veracity made oath before me that he served a term of 18 months in Capt Parkers Co of the 11th Va Reg't Cont'l line & that Smith Beasly entered said Company in 1780 as a soldier & served till the war ended. Given under my hand & seal as a Justice of the peace in & for the County of Accomack this 21st Jany 1834. Wm. R. Curtis

Parker Copes [S39350] a Revolutionary pensioner & a man of truth & veracity made oath that he served a term of 18 months in Capt Parkers Company of the 11th Va Reg't & that Smith Beasly of this County enlisted in said Company in 1780 & served till the War ended. Given under my hand as a Justice of the peace in & for said County of Accomack this 21st day of Jany 1834. Wm. R. Curtis

NOTE: A size roll taken at Cumberland Old Courthouse lists Smith Beasley/ age 28/ height 5' 7"/ dark complexion/ born in Accomack County/ residing in Chesterfield County/ enlisted at Winchester on 15 Dec 1781 for 18 months.