

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Mainyard Colley S38628

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Original Claim. Declaration in Order to be placed on the pension list under the act of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818. State of Alabama County of Limestone Ss. On this 14th day of December 1829 personally appeared in Open Court being a court of record for the County of Limestone and State of Alabama, made so by the act of the Legislature of the State of Alabama. Mainyard Colley resident in said County aged sixty eight years 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 acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820.

That he the said Mainyard Colley enlisted for the term of three years, on the 11th day of January in the years 1777 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain John Marks [company raised in Albemarle County] in the fourteenth Regiment Commanded by Colonel William Davis [sic: William Davies] in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment, and afterward attached to the 10th Regiment Commanded by Burgess Ball, that he Continued to serve in the said Corps until left behind sick in Philadelphia on the 4th day of January 1780 in the state of Pennsylvania where he remained sick until some time after the term of his service expired and that he never received any Written discharge from any of the commanding Officers, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is not on the roll of any state; And the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension; that he had heretofore made application, and the papers sent were not correct, and does not know the exact reason of his not having received a pension or placed on the pension list. And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I 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, Five head of Cattle, Eleven head of stock hogs, and Eighty acres of Land which cost me two dollars and fifty Cents per Acre which has not as yet been paid for. That his occupation is that of a farmer, and that he is not very able to pursue it from old age, and that the members of his family is two, himself and wife whose is Elizabeth Colly aged about Sixty Eight years and is not able to contribute much towards a support, and that since the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 There has been the following changes in my property (towit) The land named in the Schedule hereunto annexed has been purchased, one mare and Colt Worth about One hundred dollars has died one horse worth about eighty dollars has died And I have killed from four to six hogs and a small beef per year for the support of myself & family –

Mainyard Colley

NOTE: On 11 June 1839 it was certified that Elizabeth Colley was the widow of Mainyard Colley, a pensioner, who died on 17 Nov 1838. It was also stated that Mainyard Colley had lived in Madison County AL before moving to Limestone County about 14 years before his death.