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Pension Application of Newton Philips S39008

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I certify that on the 12th day of June 1818 before me the undersigned a Judge of the General Court presiding in the 3^d Judicial Circuit, came Newton Philips of the County of Stafford in the said Circuit aged about 54 years and upon his oath made the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the late act of Congress entitled an act “to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War”: that he the said Philips entered the Army of the United States in September 1779 as a substitute for a class which was then by the existing regulations bound to furnish a regular soldier for the Term of Eighteen months – and the said declarant served the said Term during which he was with [Col. Abraham] Buford when he was defeated by Tarlton [sic: Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton at Waxhaws SC, 29 May 1780] – Afterwards in the month of September 1781 he enlisted in the army of the United States at York Town Virginia under Capt. Fitzpatrick of the 15th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colo. [Samuel] Hawes on Continental Establishment & continued in the service of the United States until the end of the War, in which time he served at the Siege of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. And further that he is in reduced circumstances & needs the aid of his Country for support

Virginia Stafford County, to wit:

On this 16th day of August 1820, in open Court, being a Court of Record made so by Law, personally appeared Newton Philips aged about sixty-five years, resident in 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 first enlisted for eighteen months – was put under Capt. Thomas at Fredericksburg and marched to Alexandria, and from thence under the command of Colo. [Thomas] Gaskins to Wilmington, from whence, were ordered back with the 3rd & 4th Virginia Regiments, all which took up winter quarters at Petersburg and in the spring marched to the South, the declarant in Buford’s Regiment, & was in Buford’s defeat – after which he joined Capt. Abram Fitzpatrick at Manchester & marched to little York very soon after which & before the 18 months were quite expired enlisted under the said Capt. Abram Fitzpatrick for & during the war. and served under him till the capture of Cornwallis, was afterwards discharged returned home to Stafford and soon after enlisted, by the agency of Colo. Thomas Mountjoy of said County, for three years to guard the prisoners in the neighbourhood of Winchester & on arriving there, was put under the same Capt. Abram Fitzpatrick & continued to serve under him near Eighteen months till the prisoners were moved out of the state, when Capt. Fitzpatrick gave this Declarant a furlough subject to be called on when wanted, but never was called on

That the number of his certificate of pension, which commenced the 12th of June 1818, is 13, 688. 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 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, viz: one large old trunk, exclusive of bedding & wearing cloathes, valued by the Court at \$3.— His occupation is that of a common labourer, but that by an accident while drawing provisions at Norfolk during the late war, in fixing a barrel of flour to let it down from a second story door, I fell from thence on the pavement which mashed my left hip, and has caused me to be a cripple ever since & unable to labour. I further make oath that I have no family

& board myself out.

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NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Chesterfield Courthouse lists the following: Newton Philips, age 15, height 5' 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ", grey eyes, fair complexion, scar on forehead, farmer, born in King George County, residing in Stafford County where he enlisted as a substitute in Sep 1780 for 18 months. Sized on 8 Mar 1781. He was a fifer.