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Pension Application of George Russel S39059

VA

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State of Tennessee }
Smith County Court } August Term 1820

On this 15th day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the County aforesaid George Russel, aged 68 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows, to wit, he entered the service in 1778. in the 15th Virginia Regiment, served one year and nine months, and was discharged at Middlebrook in New Jersey. 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 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 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.

1 Colt 3 years old, 1 Sow and eight pigs

– has a wife about 45 years of age and child, a boy, about five years of age.

George Russel

State of Tennessee } May Term 1821.

Smith County } On this 14th day of May 1821 personally appeared in open Court, being a court of record for the County aforesaid, George Russel, a resident of said County aged 68 years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818. and the 1st May 1820. that he the said George Russel enlisted for the term of 12 months on the — day of — in the year 1778. in the state of Virginia, in the company commanded by Capt Robert Maberry, in the regiment commanded by Colonel Heath [sic: William Heth], in the line of the state of Virginia on the continental establishment. that he continued to serve in the said corps until 1779. when he was discharged from said service at Middlebrook. That he was in the Battle at Rugesleys Creek [sic: Rugeley's Mill], in South Carolina, and at Gates's defeat [Gen. Horatio Gates, Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] – and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said service, except the testimony herewith enclosed–

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 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 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 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. 1 Colt 3 years old, one sow and eight pigs -have a wife about 45 years of age, and one boy about five years of age –

George Russel

NOTES:

On 10 May 1821 Drury and Milly Moseley stated that George Russel was a native and resident of Brunswick County VA when he entered service, and that he returned in the spring of 1779. His service at the Battle of Camden may have been as a militiaman.

A summary of Russel's service refers to him as “a colored man.”