

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Workman S39136

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State of Tennessee, Carter County

On this 11th day of August 1829 – personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County, Peter Workman resident in said County, aged seventy-three 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 18th of March 1818, and the 1st May 1820. That he the said Peter Workman enlisted for the term of one year, served time in September in the year 1780 [looks like it was originally written as “1781” but someone added a loop to make it “1780”--1781 would be the correct date], in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Alexander Brevard or in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Dickson [sic, Henry Dixon] in the line of the State of North Carolina, on the Continental Establishment, that he continued to serve in said Corps until one year expired when he was discharged from the service in Campden [Camden] in the State of South Carolina; that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is not on the roll of any State as a pensioner and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension; that he lived in an obscure part of the Country and knew but little of the provisions of the law, and he was healthy and was willing to deferred out [sic] his labor for a support &c.

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 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; That since the 18th of March 1818, no changes have been made in my property – I labored for a support at that time and had no property not even a Coin nor have I acquired any since, my occupation has been that of a day laborer cutting cord wood, breaking flax &c. I have had no family for many years my wife having died in 1801. I have no trade by which I can acquire a livelihood, and my labor at this time will not yield me a competent support. I casually lost my discharge, I know not how. I returned no schedule having no property to return thereon.

S/ Peter Workman, X his mark

Sworn to and declared on the 11th day of August 1829

Test: S/ Geo. Williams, Clk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 11, 1829, for service as a private for one year in the North Carolina Continental line.]