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Pension Application of John Adcock S39146

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State of Tennessee Smith county court

November term 1819

This day came John Adcock into open court and made oath in due form, that he the s'd. John Adcock enlisted in the United States Service in the revolutionary army on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 1776 – enlisted by Lieutenant James Burnett and belonged to capt. Thomas Pattersons company [Thomas Patterson's company raised in Buckingham County] in the sixth virginia regiment for two years but he being under the standard he was not received in service untill about five or six months after he enlisted after which time he served in the regular army untill the 17<sup>th</sup> of February 1778 at which time he was honourably discharged at the white horse during which time he was in the battles at Trenton [26 Dec 1776], at Princeton [3 Jan 1777], at Perscattaway [sic: Piscataway NJ], 10 May 1777], at amboy [8 Mar 1777], at the Rising Sun [a tavern between Philadelphia and Germantown PA], at Stillwater [Bemis Heights, 7 Oct 1777], at Ticonderoga, at white marsh [Whitemarsh at Chestnut Hill PA, 5 Dec 1777], and at chesnut hill, and that he volunteered after being discharged and was in the Battle at Guilford courthouse [NC, 15 Mar 1781] and several others. That he is now sixty five or six years old and Possesses no land and personal property not worth one hundred dollars That he is unable to labour to support himself and family, therefore prays for the pension granted by act of congress to revolutionary soldiers &c. Sworn to and Subscribed in open court this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 1819 John hisXmark Adcock  
[John Woodson (pension application S39137) deposed that he had seen John Adcock during the service.]

State of Tennessee     }

Smith County Court     }                     August Term 1820

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the county aforesaid, John Adcock, aged 65 years a resident of Davidson County, who being first duly sworn according to law, on his oath declares that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows, that he served two years in the 6<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment, and was discharged at the White horse, in Pennsylvania – And 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.

He is by profession a farmer, has two head of horses, one Cow and calf, four head of hogs, and and oven, has a wife thirty years old, and five children, the oldest about 12 year old, and the younges about six months old, – is so afflicted with the rheumatism that he is unable to labour for a support. that he made a declaration the 8<sup>th</sup> of November 1819, and his name is inscribed on the pension Roll, folio 319, but on account of the insufficiency, or informality of his papers, has rec'd no pension. John hisXmark Adcock

NOTE: In Davidson County on 23 May 1821 Adcock made a declaration that is virtually the same as the one made on 15 Aug 1820 except for the following description of property and family: “two head of Horses and one Cow and Calf and one Oven and one indifferent bed all of which property is not worth one Hundred Dollars and has a wife thirty one years of age and five Children the oldest about 13 years old and the youngest about one year and six months old.”