Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Ellis Cannon S39284

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State of South Carolina On this sixth day of march 1829, the Rev'd. Ellis Cannon Spartanburgh [sic: Spartanburg] District } personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record (having unlimited power & Jurisdiction) for Spartanburgh District resident, in the said District aged eighty one 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 first of May, 1820, that he the said Rev'd. Ellis Cannon Enlisted for the Term of eighteen months on the Continental establishment on the 19th day of March in the year 1781, in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Scott in the 3rd Regiment in the line of the State of Virginia But the Col. who commanded said Regiment I have forgotten or remember so imperfectly that I cannot in conscience swear to, on the Continental Establishment that he continued to serve in the said Regiment, company and Line untill the 17th day of September 1782, in the State of Virginia when he was discharged from said service; that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That his name is not on the Roll of any State except the State of Virginia; And that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension I did not have the testimony I now offer And in pursuance of the act of the 1st of 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 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 that since the 18th of March, 1818, no change has taken place in my property.

| 60 acres of land | \$68.00 |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| 2 cows & yearlings | 20.00 |
| 1 Horse worth | 25.00 |
| 1 sow & pigs \$4 – 1 sow \$2 | 6.00 |
| 1 old saddle worth \$2 | 2.00 |
| Kitchen furniture worth \$4 | 4.00 |
| Plows & geers nearly worn out \$2 | 2.00 |
| Out Standing debts \$42 | 42.00 |
| | 169.00 |

[signed] Ellis Cannon

I am a farmer by occupation but am so worn down by age and infirmity that I am utterly unable to gain a subsistance. My family consists of myself my wife Ailsabeth aged 79 has a pain in her arm which incapacitates her from domestick labour My Daughter Phebe Cannon who has long been severely afflicted and is often entirely unable for labour of any kind She is 57 years of age. Sworn to in open Court before J. S. Richardson [signed] Ellis Cannon

[Jesse Cannon of Spartanburg District certified that Ellis Cannon enlisted as stated.]

South Carolina } Personally came before me the subscribing Justice Henry Cannon [possibly Greenville District } pension application S8187] and saith on his Oath that he was present at the Camp of the Revolutionary Army in Virginia in the year 1782 that he saw and conversed with Ellis Cannon as a soldier of said Army and firmly believes as he is a near connexion that he served his time

fully out in the war Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of March 1829 [signed] Henry Cannon

State of South Carolina } SS Spartanburgh district }

Be it known that on the seventh day of July 1829 Before me personally appeared Ellis Cannon & made oath in addition to the accompanying Declaration that he cannot possitively say what was the name of the Col. who commanded the 3rd. Regiment of the Line of the State of Virginia at the time he was attached thereto – but to the best of his recollection & belief it was Col. Febedger [sic: Christian Febiger, who commanded the 2nd Virginia Continental Regiment]. [signed] Ellis Cannon