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Pension Application of John Dailey S39414

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District and State of Virginia, Hampshire County,

On this twenty fifth day of May 1818 before me sole and presiding Judge of the Superior Court of law for the said County of Hampshire in the state aforesaid personally appears John Daily aged 55 years, Resident in Hampshire County in the said state and district, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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;" that he the said John Daily Enlisted the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1781, in Capt Sheltons [Clough Shelton BLWt740-300] Company of the first Virginia Regiment on continental establishment at that time, as he believes commanded by Col Febeger [sic: Christian Febiger VAS675] and continued in the service until the Army was Dismissed in 1783, in South Carolina, and that he is in Reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for Support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 1820 personally appeared in open court it being a Court of record John Dailey aged 58 years resident in Hampshire County Virginia who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by an Act of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 That he the said John Dailey enlisted for the term of the continuance of the War on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1781 in the County of Berkley in the State of Virginia in a company commanded by Captain Shelton in the 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Posey [Thomas Posey BLWt1733-450] in the line of the State of Virginia on the continental establishment that he continued in said service untill the conclusion of the war when he was discharged at Richmond in Virginia in the month of October 1783 that he was in the Battle of the Indians three miles from Savannah in the State of Georgia [probably skirmish at Sharon about 20 mi N of Savannah, 24 May 1782] and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, and in pursuance of the Act of the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 he did solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed Viz a set of tools worth about \$7.00 Some little household furniture worth altogether about \$11.00 That the following is the amount of the debts he owes To John Brady \$70.00 To Sam'l. Brady about \$20.00 to Sam'l. Sizler about \$23.00 to Andrew Bartruff \$10.00 to Jonathan Baker \$8.00 to William Donaldson \$5.00 to John Maxwell \$6.00 to William Abernathy \$10.00 to William Taylor \$20.00 to Jacob Smith \$5.00 to Jas. Dailey \$60.00 That his occupation is that of a Waggon maker, and in consequence of a fall received from a horse he is unable to pursue his trade in such a manner as to procure a sufficient support for himself and family. That his family consists of the following persons Catharine his wife aged 54 years, Sarah his daughter aged 22 years Mary his daughter aged 19 years Eleanor his daughter aged 19 years. That the said members of his family are able to contribute but little to their support

[The following is from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

These are Certify that the bearer hereof John Dailey Soldier in the first Virginia Regiment having faithfully serv'd the United States from the 5<sup>th</sup> March 1781 & Being Inlisted for the War, is hereby discharg'd from the American Army.

Given at the War Office the 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug't 1783 By order of the Secretary at War

B Lincoln [Gen. Benjamin Lincoln]

Registered in Books of the Regiment

A Copy/ [one or two illegible words]/ M. Hunter

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse lists the following: John Dayley/ age 19/ height 5' 6½''(?)/ gray eyes/ fair complexion/ planter/ born in Pennsylvania/ residing in Berkeley County. Enlisted as a substitute for the duration of the war.

A document in the federal file states that John Dailey died on 7 May 1830 leaving no widow but the following children: John Daily; Elizabeth the wife of Allison Sears; Sally the wife of Gideon Chapman; and Jacob Dailey. On 24 Feb 1847 Jacob Dailey appointed an attorney to obtain bounty land for his father's services. Two days later Jacob Dailey stated that Sally, wife of Gideon Chapman, had died without leaving children, and that John Dailey, Jr. had died leaving a widow and six or seven children, their names unknown to him.