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Pension Application of Elijah Estes S39499

VA

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At a Court held for Spotsylvania County the 4th day of May 1818.

Elijah Estes aged 67 years lately residing in Caroline County now residing in Spotsylvania County and state of Virginia being duly sworn states that he enlisted in January 1776 a private in the 6th Virginia regiment under Oliver Towles Captain for the term of two years that he served in the regular army till the 11th September 1777 when he was badly wounded at the battle of Brandywine after which battle he was discharged as unfit for service he was put on the pension list on the 6th November 1786 the pension to commence from the 1st of January 1786 at which time he delivered up his said discharge he has since regularly received the sum of £12 or \$40 from the United States which pension he hereby gives up upon being placed on the pension list under the late act of congress passed during last session he declares from his reduced circumstances and from age and infirmity he stands in need of public support which is ordered to be certified to the war department.

At a Court continued & held for Spotsylvania County the 8th day of August 1820

District of Virginia towit

On this 8th day of August 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of record by the laws of the said state Elijah Estes aged 70 years residing in the County of Spotsylvania and said district who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the 6th Virginia regiment commanded by [Lt Col James] Hendricks and Towles and that he was wounded at the battle of Brandywine and was regularly discharged. he was placed on the pension list of the united states at \$4 per month long before the passage of the act of Congress on the 18th day of March 1818 and on the 10th day of May 1818 the certificate of pension was issued to him by the secretary of war at Washington 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 towit One tract of land containing One hundred acres on which I live two horses one negroe woman which belongs to my wife in her own right five cattle seven hogs as to my occupation I work the land but being much afflicted with the wounds I received I can do no work. My family consists of myself my wife aged 70 years One free person named William Ham aged 10 years & a white man named Robert Thompson aged 20 years

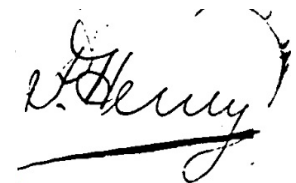
Elijah Estes

[The following is from [Revolutionary pension records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I DO, with the advice of Council, hereby certify that Elijah Estes of Caroline, about 25 years of age late a Private in the 6th Virginia Regiment appears to have been disabled in such manner while in the service of The United States as to entitle him to the sum of Twelve Pounds yearly; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786.

GIVEN under my hand at Richmond, this Sixth day of November 1786.

[Patrick Henry]



NOTE: A summary in the file states the Estes died on 16 Feb 1821.