

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Robert Ferguson S39512

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Virginia In Montgomery County Court, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1818

It is ordered to be certified to the Secretary of the War Department that Robert Ferguson aged sixty seven years, personally appeared in open Court and declared on oath that some time in the month of October 1777 he enlisted in the Town of Woodstock, Shenandoah County Virginia for the term of three years [several words illegible] of the 13<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colo. [John] Gibson and Virginia line and continental establishment and that he served three years and perhaps a few days; he was honourably discharged in November 1780. That he is in reduced circumstances and requires the aid of his Country for support, and he further states that he never received a pension or had any allowed to him previous to the passage of the Act of Congress the 18th. of March 1818. And it is also ordered to be certified that the Court has been acquainted with the said Robert Ferguson for a number of years and that he has supported the character of an honest man and that he is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country for support, and that he has been supported by the County of Montgomery for several years as a poor parishioner

District of Virginia SS. Montgomery County

On this 3rd day of October 1820, personally appeared, in open court, being a court of record for the said district, & county Robert Ferguson aged 70 or there about years, resident in Montgomery in said district, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: That he enlisted in the company commanded by Capt. Bell [possibly Robert Beall] in the regiment commanded by Colo. Gibson in the Virginia line on Continental establishment, to serve for the term of three years & that he continued in the service of the United States untill the year 1780 in November of which year he was discharged in the usual way. He served in the 13th Virginia regiment. He states also that he is in such reduced circumstances as to need the assistance of his Country for support & that he does not now know of any other evidence which he could obtain of his said service. That he has received a pension under a certificate no 16.579

June [blank] 1818 is the date of the original declaration

And I do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be,) 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. I have no real property. I have one pot one oven & one skillet & half dozen old knives & forks as many plates & spoons three hogs two hens & thirteen chickens My family consists of a wife a daughter Margery & son Thomas My son is idiotical I am altogether unable from bodily infirmities to pursue any occupation by which I could live

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