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Pension Application of Joseph Fowler S39530

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State of Virginia } SS

County of Brooke }

Joseph Fowler of the County and State aforesaid upon oath makes the following declaration

That the said Joseph Fowler about the middle of the month of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven enlisted as a private for the term of three years and served until the end of the war in Capt. David Steel's [David Steele's] company in Col. William Crawford's Regiment of the Virginia line.

That the declarant faithfully served from the time of his said enlistment until the end of the war and was honorably discharged at Fort Pitt on the 26th day of July in the year 1783 by Maj'r. [William] Croghan – said declarant at the time of being discharged belonged to Capt. Benj. Biggs [Benjamin Biggs's] Compy. and that he received a written honorable discharge, and has lost the same by time and accident.

That the declarant is nearly sixty seven years of age, infirm, and from his reduced circumstances in life is now in need of the assistance from his country for support; and that he hereby relinquishes his claim to every pension heretofore allowed him by the laws of the United States. Joseph hisXmark Fowler

District of Virginia }

County of Brooke }

July Term 1820 }

On this 31st day of July 1820 personally appeared in open court being a Court of record by the laws of the state of Virginia for the County of Brooke aforesaid, Joseph Fowler aged seventy years, resident in said County and district, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth

on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, viz, in Capt Benjamin Biggs Company in Colo Gibsons [John Gibson's] Regiment of foot in the Virginia line and served for the term of six years and a half, on the Continental Establishment and was discharged at Pittsburgh, that he has been inscribed on the pension list roll of the Virginia agency at the rate of eight Dollars per month in consequence of his Declaration made to the war department, dated the 23rd may 1818 his certificate dated and numbered [blank]

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 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. viz – 1 Cow 12.00 – 7 hogs 4.00 – potmetal 5.00 kitchen furnature 3.00. Declarant was by occupation a farmer owing to infirmity is incapable of following the same, and is unable by manual labour to procure a livelihood – his family consists only of himself and his wife, aged about sixty years who is so infirm that she is incapable of Dressing herself.

Sworn to and declared on the 31st July 1820 before the court aforesaid

Joseph hisXmark Fowler

State of Virginia SS }

County of Brooke }

I Joseph Fowler aged seventy eight years do upon oath, testify and declare, that about, or in the year, one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven, I enlisted or entered the service as a private for the term of "during the war" in the 13th Regiment commanded by Colo. Crawford, and afterwards served in the same Regiment under the command of Colonel John Gibson –

and that I continued in the service aforesaid untill the close of the war, when I was regularly discharged from the 13th Regiment commanded by Colonel John Gibson – of the Virginia line, and that I was a private in said Regiment at the time of receiving my discharge from Major Coghran [sic] of s'd Reg't. which s'd. discharge I have lost, but do not recollect the time.

I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to me on the part of the United States; nor have I ever assigned, or transfered my claim in any manner whatsoever.
[Power of attorney follows. Dated 9 Sep 1828.]

NOTE: A Treasury-Department document indicates that Fowler died on 24 Jan 1840.