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Pension Application of Thomas Waters S40649

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Ohio Adams County Ss

I hereby certify that this day [15 Apr 1818] Thomas Waters a citizen of the United States and this State personally appeared before me the undersigned a Judge of the County of Common Pleas in and for the county aforesaid & being duly sworn according to law made the following declaration under Oath First that he had served between four and five years in the Army of the United States in the Revolutionary war against the common enemy in the Virginia line on continental establishment 2<sup>d</sup>. That he enlisted under Captain William Dark [sic: William Darke] but after was transferred to Captain Abraham Kirkpatrick's Company That he served in Colonel Thomas Gaskin's Regiment but was afterwards transferred to different regiments part of the time in the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Regiments 3<sup>d</sup>. That he inlisted first for Eighteen months, the same week he enlisted for three years and the next week he enlisted for during the war That he first enlisted in the service in the Month of March 1778 as well as he can now ascertain and continued in the army in the Service of the United States till the army was discharged after the conclusion of peace

4<sup>th</sup>. That after the conclusion of Peace he procured from General Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] at Winchester Barracks a regular & honorable discharge in due form and left the army but that he gave the discharge to Captain John Strother to procure his land warrant & has never seen it since

5<sup>th</sup>. That there is not at this time any person in this State within his knowledge by whom he can prove any of the foregoing facts 6<sup>th</sup>. That he never had nor received any pension from the United States and therefore thinks it not necessary to make any formal relinquishment of a pension

[signed] Thomas Waters Sen'r

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On this Eleventh day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record having the power of fine and imprisonment for the County and State aforesaid Thomas Waters aged Sixty seven years resident in Adams County in the said State 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 at Winchester Va in the Reg't commanded by Col. Wm. Dark in march 1778 or 79 as he believes – was then transferred to the Command of Col. Thos. Gaskins and joined the army under the Command of Barron Steuben [sic: Baron von Steuben] at the forks of James River [Point of Fork at the confluence of James and Rivanna rivers, late May or early June 1781] that he was afterwards transferred to different Regiments, that he served under Gen'l. Mulinbergh at the Seige of York and that at the taking of Lord Cornwallis [Siege of Yorktown, 28 Sep – 19 Oct 1781] went down with the Flag of truce into Little York to move Secretary Nelson's Family out, before the siege began – that he inlisted first for 18 Months then for three years and afterwards for "during the war" that he received an honorable discharge from Gen'l. Mulinberg at Winchester Barracks – in July in the year 1783 date of my original Declaration 15<sup>th</sup> April 1818 No. of my pension Certificate 12.725 And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

Thomas Waters

1 Cow & Calf	\$17	00	Brot. up	\$105	00
1 Horse & Saddle	46	00	about 4 acres of Corn on the ground at	16	00
1 Chest & Table	4	00	2 acres of wheat in straw	<u>5</u>	00
1 Kettle plough & Tea ware	6	25		\$126	00
½ doz Pewter plates	1	25	Deduct my debts	<u>26</u>	70
3 Sheep	3	25		\$99	30
1 Sow & Pigs	4	25			
1 Age & Wedge	1	50			
1 Pott & oven without Lid	2	00			
Chains & Hoe	1	50			
Due me in corn	<u>18</u>	00			
	\$105	00			

My family consists of Myself and wife Elizabeth aged 57. My son Robert aged 19 years. My occupation a Laborer – am disabled by having had my thigh broken about nine years since

Thomas Waters

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates compiled at Powhatan Courthouse VA lists the following: Thomas Waters/ age 25/ height 5' 8"/ fair hair/ grey eyes/ fair complexion/ "well made"/ turner/ residing in Frederick County/ enlisted in Berkeley County for the duration of the war.

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Addendum to Thomas Waters S40649

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[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

Winchester Barracks 1<sup>st</sup> June 1783

Certified that Thomas Waters enlisted in the Army the 19<sup>th</sup> March 1780 for the war & is still in service.

A Kirkpatrick Capt [Abraham Kirkpatrick BLWt1210-300]

1<sup>st</sup> Virg'a Reg

P Muhlenberg BG

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely "Abraham Kirkpatrick", written on a document. The ink is dark and the background is slightly textured.

I empower Mr William Price [illegible] Land warrant witness my hand

[signed] Thomas Waters

Richmond 18<sup>th</sup> Aug't 1783 Rec'd of Col [Thomas] Meriwether a certificate for the land warrant agreeable to the [undeciphered]

William Price

[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#) The file also contains papers relating to Elijah Walden S3477.]

State of Ohio Davis County Ss

Personally came before me the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Thomas Waters who being duly sworn according to law deposed and saith that he is now a pensioner and was an enlisted soldier in the Virginia Continental line and enlisted in the Town of Winchester under Colonel William Dark untill the expiration of the War and served between four and five years and honorably discharged under General Mulenburgh and that I never received any warrant for my bounty of land for said service and further this deponent saith not

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this 31st day of Oct'r 1821.

Ralph McClure JP

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely "Thomas Waters", written on a document. The ink is dark and the background is slightly textured.