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Pension Application of William Spurling S41182

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Westmoreland County. State of Virginia 24th May 1818

William Spurling aged about fifty seven years declare on Oath That he entered as a soldier in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War on the 6th April 1781 and was discharged from the service on the 6th October 1782 as will more fully appear be the said discharged signed by Capt. A. Kirkpatrick [Abraham Kirkpatrick] and which is hereto annexed as evidence thereof [not found in the filw]. After his discharge he returned to the County of Westmoreland after the Sige of York [19 Oct 1781], he is now old & infirm and stands greatly in need of assistance from his country

[signed] William Spurling

[A declaration identical to the above was certified in court on 22 Mar 1819 with the following addendum at the end:]

The said William Spurling was a substitute for and in the room of William Hebron who was drafted for 18 months. Consequently never served in the Army. He was in the Virginia line attached to a Regiment commanded by by Colo. Febecar [sic: Christian Febiger], in a company commanded by Capt. Thomas Wareman [sic: Thomas Warman]

Westmoreland County Towit.

William Harriss [William Harris] aged about fifty seven years came before me this day, and made oath, that he served in the army and in the same company with the said william Spurling, and believes that the decleration which he has made above is substantialy True. given under my hand & seal this 24th of May 1818.

Samuel Templeman

State of Virginia

Westmoreland County Towit

On this 26th day of June 1820 personally appeared in open court being a Court of Record agreeably to the Law's of the State of Virginia, William Spurling aged about sixty years, resident in the County of Westmoreland in said state. Who being first sworn according to law, doth on his Oath declare That he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. In the 10th or 11th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment commanded first by Colo. Thomas Gaskins – next by Colo. Febecer, and last by Colo. [Thomas] Posey in the company commanded by Capt Thomas Wareman of said Regiment, and served until he was regularly discharged, which will more fully appear by reference to his said discharge in writing, as also the original decleration filed in the War office dated the Twenty fourth day of May 1818 on which a Pension certificate was granted the sixteenth day of June 1819 number 11989. 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.

No real Estate of any kind whatever

Occupation Farmer. Rents a farm for which he pays \$35 pr Annum.

Personal Estate. 1 small Horse. 9 head cattle of all sorts. 8 or 10 hogs of all sizes. 9 sheep including Lambs.

household furniture (Beds & cloathing excepted) worth \$20. 1 old Negro upwards of 60 years old entirely disabled and expensive —

Family

himself aged about 60 years. Rather infirm not able to pursue his calling much

A wife 45 years old (weakly) 7 children 1 14 years old. 1 12 years old. 1 10 years old. 1 8 years old. 1 6 years old. 1 4 years old. 1 2 years old. not able to support themselves

Signed by William Spurli[edge of page]

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Powhatan Courthouse VA lists the following: William Sperling/ age 18/ height 5' 3"/ black hair/ black eyes/ dark complexion/ planter/ born and residing in Westmoreland County where he enlisted as a substitute for 18 months on 5 Apr 1781.