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Pension Application of Edward Wilson S41362

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At a Court held for Mecklenburg County 16 day of February 1829

Personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County of Mecklenburg Edward Wilson resident in said County aged seventy years and upwards who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declarations in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of congress of 18th March 1818 and 1st May 1820. that he the said Edward Wilson enlisted for the term of two years on the [blank] day of March 1776 in the state of virginia in the company commanded by Capt Ralph Faulkner in the regiment commanded by Colo Richard Parker in the line of the state of virginia on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until [blank] day of March 1778 when he was discharged from the service in the County of [blank] and state of [blank]

that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any state except virginia and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension (Viz) that he has been dependent in some degree on the charity of his son in law with whom he lived and that the said son in law has removed to some of the western states thereby cutting off the source from which he derived his support and reducing him to the necessity of depending for it on the bounty of Government and another reason is that the proceeds of the sale of his land mentioned in the deed hereto annexed enabled him in conjunction with the kindness of his son in law to support himself that the purchase money is now entirely exhausted leaving him altogether destitute of any means from which a subsistence may be derived and in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do hereby 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) One pine chest a half dozen earthen plates one spinning wheel one skimmer one flesh fork a set of knives and forks one looking glass set of coffee cups and saucers one coffee pot one bowl and one pewter dish Edw'd. X [his mark] Wilson
The said Edward Wilson declares his occupation to be that of a planter that from a disability in his right arm he is incapable of hard labour and has no family that since the 18th of March 1818 the following change has been made in his property

Description of property	Names of persons to whom disposed of	time of sale	amt of property or description of property rec'd in return
118 Acres Land	John Basey	August 1818	\$531

All of which has been expended in purchasing necessary articles of food and raiment that is the only change which has taken place in his property since 18th March 1818 sworn to and declared in open Court this 16 day of February 1829

[Followed by certification by the court and a copy of the deed.]

NOTE: Jesse Basey deposed that after Edward Wilson sold his land he continued to live near him with three children for some time, "getting poorer every year."