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Pension application of Benjamin Robinson S41996

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The Memorial of Benjamin Robinson of Lenoir County and State of North Carolina to the Honorable the Secretary of War

Your Memorialist humbly sheweth that he was a regular Soldier of the Revolution that he enlisted on the 17th day of July in the year of our Lord 1776 for the term of three years as will appear by his certificate which he sends for the inspection of your Department. He enlisted in Reading Blount's company of the fifth Regiment of North Carolina (Infantry) that he served the term as aforesaid and was regularly discharged which will appear by the discharge which he now transmits. He is poor and in very needy circumstances and has occasion for that support which the government has kindly given to the surviving officers and Soldiers of the revolution by the act passed at the last session of Congress and humbly prays that he may be allowed the benefit of said act. And as in duty bound he will ever pray.

S/ Benja. Robinson



Benjamin Robinson being duly sworn deposes and says that the matter and things contained in the above Memorial are true.

S/ C. Westbrook

S/ Benjamin Robinson

Mason Broom¹ being duly sworn deposes and says that he was a soldier in the same company with Benjamin Robinson and that the said Benjamin Robinson served during the whole term he the said Mason Broom served which was two years and six months.

S/ C. Westbrook

S/ Mason Broom, X his mark

State of North Carolina: I Charles Westbrook Clerk of Lenoir County Court do hereby certify that Benjamin Robinson and Mason Broom who has signed the foregoing depositions was sworn and subscribed the same in Open Court Given under my hand and seal of the County at Kinston the 6th day of October A.D. 1818

S/ C. Westbrook, Clk

¹ [Mason Broom S41457](#)

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District of North Carolina [indecipherable word]:

On this 3rd day of January 1821 personally appeared in open court, the same being a court of record for the County of Lenoir by having unlimited jurisdiction in point of amount, by keeping a record of its proceedings and by having power to fine & imprison, Benjamin Robinson, aged sixty-six years, resident in Lenoir County in the District aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: In the 5th Regiment commanded by Colonel Buncombe [Edward Buncombe], in the company commanded by Captain Reddin Blount [sic], and afterwards in the company commanded by Captain Benjamin Williams, and in the North Carolina line, the date of the original declaration is believed to be the 4th of October 1819 & that he has received a pension the number of his Pension Certificate being No. 14.589.

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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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. One ax, estimated at one dollar, one Grubbing hoe \$1, one pot \$1, one skillet \$0.25, four setting chairs \$1, one pair of flat irons \$0.40, one small chests \$0.50, one pocket knife \$0.25, one table \$0.50, one old pewter dish & 6 plates \$1. The foregoing articles are all living on by execution.

S/ Benjamin Robinson

The declarant states that he is a common laborer by occupation, and that in consequence of his age & a wound he received in the back in the Revolutionary War at Germantown [October 4, 1777] he is little able to perform it and that he has no person residing with him but an old & infirm wife -- Sworn to and declared on 3rd January 1821.

S/ C. Westbrook

This may certify that I enlisted Benjamin Robison [sic] a Continental soldier for Captain Redin Blounts Compy of the Regt the 17th day of July in the year 1776 for the Term of three years and he will be entitled to a discharge the 17th day July 1779

New Bern June 15th 1779.

S/ Benjamin Williams

S/ Ben. Coleman, Capt. [Benjamin Coleman]

This may certify that I enlisted Benjamin
Robinson a Continental Soldier for Capt. Redin
Blounts Compy of the Regt. the 17th Day of July in
the year 1776 for the Term of three years and he will
be entitled to a discharge the 17th Day July 1779
New Bern June 15th 1779
Benjamin Williams — — Ben. Coleman Capt

State N. Carolina February 8th 1780

Second North Carolina Regiment where of Colonel John Patten Esquire is Colonel

This is to Certify that the Bearer hereof Benjamin Roberson [sic] a Soldier Captain Craddock's Company of Light Infantry has served Honestly and faithfully in the Said Battalion aforesaid

State of N. Carolina; February 8th 1780

Second North Carolina Battalion Whereof John Patten Esquire is Colonel

This is to Certify that the Bearer hereof Benjamin Robinson a private Soldier Captain Craddock's Company of Light Infantry has served Honestly and Faithfully the Term of three years and is hereby discharged the service he having received all his pay arrears of pay Cloaths of all sorts and all other Just Demands as appears by his Receipt on the Back

And preventing ill use that may be made of this Discharge by its Falling into the Hands of any other person whatsoever the following is a Description of the said Benjamin Robinson

Aged twenty four years old five feet eight inches high Born in Honslow [sic, Onslow?] County North Carolina Black Complextion and hair by Trade a planter

Gillon under my Hand this Day and Date above

S/ Selby Harney, Lt. Col.

State of Virginia }
 County of ...
 Second North Carolina Regiment March 1781
 This is to certify that the bearer hereof Benjamin Robinson
 a private in the said Company of Light Infantry
 has been honorably and faithfully in the said
 Regiment
 John ...
 This is to certify that the bearer hereof Benjamin Robinson
 a private in the said Company of Light Infantry
 has been honorably and faithfully in the said
 Regiment
 The following is a description of the said Benjamin Robinson
 Age about 32 years height five feet eight inches high brown
 in ...
 given ...
 S/ By ...

[reverse]

I Benjamin Robinson do Acknowledg hereto to have Received all my Pay Arrears of pay Cloaths of all Sorts and all other Just Demands from the Day of my Enlisting into the Said Regiment to this Day of my Discharge.

S/ Benjamin Robinson

I Benjamin Robinson do hereby Acknowledge hereto to have Received
 all my Pay Arrears of pay Cloaths of all Sorts and all other
 Just Demands from the Day of my Enlisting into the Said
 Regiment to this Day of my Discharge
 Benjamin Robinson

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 6th, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]