

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Nicholas Carter S46431

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District of Kentucky SS Nelson Circuit

on this 30th day of June 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the Nelson Circuit Nicholas Carter aged sixty five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18 March 1818 and the 1 of May 1820 that he the said Carter enlisted for during the war & on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year 1777 in the state of virginia in the company commanded by by captain Moore [probably Thomas Moore] in the regiment commanded colonel [William] Russell in the line of the state of virginia on the continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said corps until the end of the war when he was discharged from the said service in Pittsburgh

That he was in the battle of the White Horse [skirmish at White Horse Tavern 3 mi W of Malvern PA, 16 Sep 1777] and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services

And in pursuance of the act of the 1 of May 1820 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 to wit two hundred acres of Land Seven Horses thirteen head of Cattell eight head of Sheep about thirty head of Hogs That his occupation is that of a farmer That he has a wife about fifty eight years old and that he has three children living with him Nicholas Carter

[The following statement taken at Carter's home on 13 June 1830.]

District of Kentucky Nelson Circuit Sct

On the [blank] day of [blank] 1830 personally appeared Nicholas Carter aged 79 years in open Court being a Court of record in and for Nelson County and State of Kentucky who being sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress of the 18th march 1818 and the several acts amendatory of the same that he the said Carter entered on the [blank] day of [blank] 1777 in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Capt Moore and the regiment Commanded by Coln Russell of the 13th Virginia Regiment on the continental Establishment in the War of the revolution that he served from the time of his Enlistment four years until he was regularly discharged at Fort Pitt at or about the conclusion of the peace. He had his discharge and many years ago and gave it to a man to draw his depreciation pay as it was called and he has never since seen it the par or the man. That he is at this time a citizen of Kentucky and has been ever since his discharge for he came from Pittsburg or Fort Pitt to Ky his family consists of an aged wife and one daughter He and his wife are poor and helpless unable to labour.

[Oath similar to the preceding follows.]

He further states that in 1820 he made his declaration a copy of which is refered to and then he gave in as all the estate he owned or held in any way Two hundred acres of land Thirteen head of Cattle Eight head of sheep about thirty head of hogs the whole of which was then valued by the Court at seven hundred and forty Two dollar out of which he has had to maintain himself ever since that he has one horse creature worth \$30 and two cows worth seven dollars each that his land is poor and greatly reduced in value it is not worth more than \$100 at this time it is covered by several claims and is

considered of but little value the remainder of the stock given in his former schedule has either died or been used for his support He resides upon the 200 acres of poor land in a miserable house and his son rents a tract of land of another man and by his labour and charity supports him and his wife and daughter the above 200 acres of land & horse & two cows are all the property he owns besides his little household furniture Signed Nicholas hisXmark Carter

[Nicholas Carter's service was certified by his brother, Barnabas Carter (pension application W713).]

NOTE: On 11 Nov 1830 Nicholas Carter swore that "the claims which he says owns his land are not mortgages or Debts but adverse Land claims under the law of Virginia to his," and that he had not sold any of his land or other property since 18 March 1818.