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Pension Application of Thomas Brooks S5296

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Virginia;            In Goochland County Court 21<sup>st</sup> August 1829:  
County of Goochland Ss.

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 1829 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record, created by the Laws of the State of Virginia, for the County aforesaid, Thomas Brooks resident in said County, aged eighty 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<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1820, that he the said Thomas Brooks enlisted for the term of three years on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year [blank] in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Chew in the regiment commanded by General Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] in the line of the State of Virginia on the continental establishment, that he does not now recollect the time he enlisted, that he continued to serve in the said corps until [blank] when he was discharged from the service in the Town of Fredericksburg in the state of Virginia, 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, that he was in a situation that he was enabled to support himself without the charity of his Country, and in pursuance of the act of the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820, 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. to wit

"One horse worth about	\$10.00	
Three Cows and two calves worth about	[25.00]	
Two Sows and nine pigs worth about	10.00	
Two Beds & other household & kitchen furniture worth about	<u>50.00</u>	
	\$95.00	Thomas Brooks"

My occupation or trade was that of a Carpenter for many years, and for many years back that of a farmer, but I am not now able to pursue either, I have no family residing with me at this time, except my wife, who has not been able to walk for about five years & who is also very old and incapable of contributing to her support. That since the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 the following changes have been made in my property then in my possession and not now owned by me, of which that disposed of by sale is in the following columns:

Description of property	Names of the persons to whom disposed of	Time of sale	Amount of money or Description of property received in return
Two negro boys named Albert & Lewy together with every other species of property	Fielding Brooks	By Bill of sale dated 23 <sup>d</sup> May 1825 & recorded in Goochland County Court	\$400 and the further consideration of said Fielding Brooks taking care of said Thomas Brooks & his wife Judy during their natural lives
A negro man name Henry	James Brooks son of Thomas Brooks	By Bill of sale dated 1 <sup>st</sup> October 1827 & recorded in Goochland County Court	\$1 and the further consideration of natural love and affection

State of Virginia     } SS.  
Goochland County    }

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of Goochland in the State of Virginia being a court of record, Thomas Brooks, a resident of said County and State aforesaid, aged about Eighty eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States, on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year [blank] in the State of Virginia, for the term of three years and served in the Regiment commanded by General Stephens in the Company commanded by Captain Chew in the line of the State of Virginia, on the Continental Establishment – that he does not now recollect the names of any other officers under whom he served, that he enlisted in the County of Spottsylvania [sic: Spotsylvania] in the state of Virginia, it has been so long he does not recollect the time he enlisted – that he served in the service of the United states for the said term of three years, and was regularly discharged from the service in the year [blank] in the Town of Fredericksburg in the State of Virginia, that he was in no battles during his service, and that he marched through several Counties on the Potowmac [sic: Potomac] in the state of Virginia – he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid                    Thomas hisXmark Brooks.