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Pension Application of James McCarter S7216

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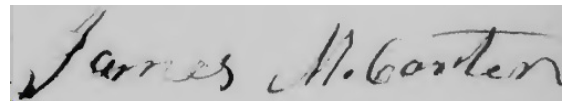
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State of Virginia Mecklenburg County towit

On this seventeenth day of August one thousand eight hundred & eighteen before us the Subscribers Justices of the County Court aforesaid personally appears James McCarter aged Fifty Seven years resident in Mecklenburg 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 late 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" that he the said James McCarter enlisted in the year seventeen hundred & seventy seven in the State of Virginia in the Company Commanded by Captain Lewis Burwell that he was transfered to the Company commanded by Captain Henry Dudley which Company belonged to Colonel William Brents Regiment of Infantry of the line and was attached to & Composed a part of General Mullenburgs [sic: Peter Muhlenberg's] Brigade that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States until the year one thousand seven hundred & eighty, when he was discharged from service in Williamsburg State of Virginia that he was in the battles of Stony point [16 July 1779] & Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support: and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said Services: Sworn to & declared before us, the day and your aforesaid.

To the Honourable The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Respectfully sheweth your Petitioner James McCarter that he enlisted as a soldier in the service of the State and after being marched to Williamsburg and there remaining for a short time without meeting the enemy of his Country or seeing any immediate prospect of doing so he with his comrades in arms volunteered to join the Continental Army. They accordingly marched from Williamsburg and joined the Continental Army at Valley Forge and remained with the s'd Army until the year 1780 when he was honourably discharged. That during the time he was in the service of the U. States he saw many severe trials and much hardship was in the Battles of Stony Point and Monmouth and severe skirmishes such as Powlers Hook [sic: Paulus Hook NJ, 19 Aug 1779] &c that he has been advised to apply to the General Government for aid which he has accordingly done but has been answered that he "was not on Continental Establishment" and has been turned from that Quarter without help. That he is now poor old and infirm and is greatly in need of help from his Country which he helped when she most needed it. In tender consideration of the premises your Honourable Body will please grant him some immediate help and such further aid as may seem just and such as is customary in simelar cases and as in duty bound he will ever pray &c



Mecklenburg County To wit

This day Daniel Miller [name is not clear] personally appeared before me Ralph Hubbard a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid and made oath that he serve in The Continental [undeciphered word] Service three years with James McCarter In capt Harry Dudleys company 2 State Reg't Com'd. by Colo William Brent and has been well acquainted with the said James Mccarter Ever Since Given under my hand this 24th Day of November 1827

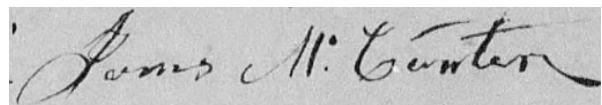
Ralph Hubbard JP

Dec 8th 1827 ref'd to Claims/ 1828 Jany 8th Rejected/ Reported

[The following are from the federal pension file.]

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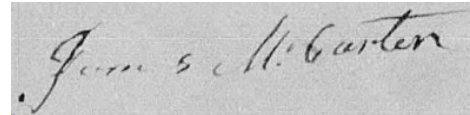
On this 21st day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of the County of Mecklenburg James McCarter a resident of the county of Mecklenburg and State of Virginia aged 71 years & 7 months and 16 days having been born on the 5th day of Janry 1761 as he has always understood, Who being 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 7th 1832 that he inlisted in the 2nd state regiment of the Virginia line in the year 1777 with Captain Lewis Burwell and served in the 2nd Regement of the Virginia state troops of the line under the following Officers Captain Henery Dudley Lieutenant Wm. Baskervill [sic: William Baskerville] Ensign Isaac Holmes. Lieutenant Wm. Baskervill resigned and returned home from Williamsburg where the regiment was first stationed and after he returned or resigned Ensign Isaac Holmes was appointed lieutenant and acted as paymaster to the regement the field officers were Colonel William Brent Lieutenant Colo. Ball and Major Merrewether [sic: Meriwether] at the time he entered the service he resided in the county of Mecklenburg Virginia and has always resided in the same from his birth to the present time except whilst he was in the said servis and he was discharged on the first of May 1780 at Williamsburg that the Regiment marched from Williamsburg the begining of March 1778 and marched by Bowling green & through Fredricksburg [sic: Fredericksburg] to Nolens ferry on the potomack [sic: Nolands Ferry on Potomac River] & on to Fredrick town [sic: Frederick MD] McCalisters Peters little town & Tawney town [sic: Taneytown] from thence to Lancaster [PA] & little york and on to head quaters at vally forge camp on the schoolkill [sic: Schuyllkill River], Thence with the mane army under General Washington on through New Jersey to the battel of Monmouth courthouse thence we marched to Kings ferry on Hudson river thence to the white plains and on to Robertsons farms on the Hudson a little below West point and continued with the mane army and he was at the storming of Stoney point under General Wane [sic: Anthony Wayne] and afterward at the taking of the fort at Powels hook and after the taking of the fort at Powells hook they went on to the incampment at Baskenridge [sic: Basking Ridge NJ] and thence the regement left the mane army and marched back to Virginia at Williamsburg where he was discharged and he continued with the regement & in the same company from the time he joined it untill he was discharged 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



State of Virginia }
Mecklenburg County }

On the 19th day of March 1833 Personally appeared in open Court before Erasmus Kennon, Drury Pennington, Jones Gee, & Geo Rogers the court of the county of Mecklenburg now sitin James M Carter [sic] a resident of the said County of Mecklenburg and State of Virginia aged Seventy two 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 7th 1832 that he entered as an inlisted private soldier in the Virginia State troops of the line in the 2nd Reg'mt on the [blank] day of July and served in the servis of the United States as hereafter stated under the following named officers he enlisted under Captain Lewis Burwell Lieutant Wm. Baskervill & Ensign Isaac Holmes that at that time he was a resident of the county of Mecklenburg and inlisted in the said County that he marched to Williamsburg as well as he can recolect in the month of August or Sept 1777 where he joined the regement then under the command of Colo David Mayson [sic: David Mason] and was there with the company placed under the command of Capt Henery Dudley that in the month of March 1778 he

marched in that company and Regt. to the camp at Valey forge on the river Schoolkill in Pennsylvany where he was innoculated for the small pox and at that time Colo William Brent commanded the said second Regement to which he belonged and continued in command of the same with major merewether as the other field officer untill the Regement was discharged that in June he marched with the mane arney under the command of General Washington the said second Regement of Virginia state troops was attached to General Mulenburgs [sic: Peter Muhlenberg's] Brigade and he marched to Monmouth Courthouse and was in that Battle on the 28th of June 1778 and from that place they marched and crossed the Hudson river at Kings Ferry and thence to the the encampment at white planes and from there he marched to Bonbrook [sic: Bound Brook NJ] encampment and was then detaled with others to join the troops under the command of General Wayne and marched under his command to the storming and taking of Stoney point after which he again joined his Regt and marched under the command of his Captain Henery Dudley & Lieutenant [George] Triplett to several places in the vicinity of the enemy and then to the encampment at Baskenridge and from there to Philidelphia Decbr 1779 from thence they & he marched to Lancaster and little york and on to Falmouth & Fredricksburg in virginia and in march 1780 received a furlow and returned to Mecklenburg and then returned to his officers and was discharged at Williamsburg the 1st of May 1780 having served what was called a term or tour of 3 years altho he was in actual servis only two years and ten months the discharge which he then received has been lost long since and he has no documentary evidences of his services he hereby relinquishes every clame Whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not the pension roll of the agency of any state, That he knows of no witness but Daniel Waller [pension application S7838] by whom he can prove the said Servises

A rectangular image showing a handwritten signature in cursive script. The signature reads "James McCarter".

NOTE: On 17 Nov 1855 Nancy Hendrick, child of James and Nancy McCarter and wife of James Hendrick, applied for the pension that her mother failed to apply for. She stated that her father died on 18 Apr 1840, and her mother died on 27 Jan 1841. On 19 July 1858 William Mallett, born 3 Aug 1776, deposed that James McCarter had lived in his father's family and continued to live on his father's land after he married Nancy Jones in 1782.