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Pension Application of Robert Corbin S8245

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I Robert Chase [pension application W6910] aged about ninety years and a Revolutionary Soldier and a pensioner of the United States do hereby Certify I was well acquainted with Robert Corbin of Pig Point [in Accomack County VA] and I know he performed military duty in the war of the Revolution he served in a company of militia commanded by Capt. Jesse Dickerson under the command of Col'n. Southy Simpson [Southy Simpson] and I know Robert Corbin kept guard at Holdings Creek [sic: Holdens Creek] in the County of Accomack I served with him at the above place in the year of 1778 or 79 I cannot after this long laps of time say accordingly how long he served but from my knowledge of the many tours he served I am satisfied he served more than two years owing to the exposed condition of the county all of the militia companies were frequently called out on towers to keep guard to repel the enemy & protect the county from the depredations. These militia companies were frequently called out on towers of several months duration during the whole war and I am satisfied that no company done more duty than Capt Jesse Dickersons in which Robert Corbin was enrolled [signed] Robert Chase

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 1851, personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Accomack County now sitting Robert Corbin a resident of the County and state aforesaid, son of Robert Corbin a revolutionary soldier, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain for the Children of the aforesaid Robert Corbin, the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. I have been informed by Robert Chase a revolutionary pensioner, as well as by others, who resided in the immediate neighbourhood, that my father Robert Corbin performed military duty in the Revolutionary War, and served under the following named officers, and as herein stated. That he was enrolled in a Company of Militia commanded by Captain Jesse Dickerson, in the year 1778 or 79; which was commanded by Col. Southy Simpson. That he kept guard at "Houldings Creek", and other places on the sea and bay side. In consequence of the death of my father, I cannot state now particularly the different places at which he was stationed in keeping guard.

I have been informed that my father immediately after the passage of the law of 1832, in consequence of bodily infirmity, made his declaration before a Justice of the Peace. The Justice is now dead and the declaration made before him in my fathers life time, cannot now be found. Robert Chase a Revolutionary pensioner stated he served with him on guard and that he believes he served two years or more. He further states that in consequence of the exposed condition of this county the Militia Companies were frequently on duty, and he is satisfied that no Company performed more service than Capt. Jesse Dickerson's in which my father was enrolled. My father was born in the County of Accomack, State of Virginia, 3<sup>d</sup> day of February in the year 1764, and was 79 year old when he died, as will appear by the family record in my possession. [signed] Robert Corbin

NOTE: A note in the file states that Corbin died on 15 Nov 1843.