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Pension Application of William Banks W10376

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State of Indiana } Ss On this 22nd day of October A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before
Putnam County } the Honorable Amory Kinny president Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of
the State aforesaid in which is included the County of Putnam aforesaid And the
Honorable David Deweese and William Elrod Associate Judges for the County aforesaid the Putnam
Court now sitting William Banks a resident of Putnam County aforesaid and state of Indiana aforesaid
aged seventy two years who first being duly sworn according to law, doth, on his Oath make the
following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he
entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated
The Marquis De LaFayette General. Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] Brigadier General Richardson
[Holt Richeson] Colonel of the light Infantry regiment. The names of the other field officers not
recollected James Pamplain [possibly Richard Pamplin] Captain Lieutenant Horseley William McNeece
Ensign. That he entered the service some time in the first of March 1781 and served a tour of six months.
That he resided at the time of entering the service in Amherst County in Virginia That he was drafted into
the service under the above named officers in the Virginia Militia That he did not march out of the State
of Virginia. He says I was born in Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] County in the state of Virginia in the year
1761 on the 3rd day of June. have a record of my age in my family bible. I have lived in the State of
Kentucky Chiefly since the Revolutionary War and now live in the State of Indiana Putnam County. He
says I served as Sergeant. was regularly discharged but have long since lost it as I did not think it worth
preserving.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that
his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. that he has no documentary evidence and
that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service

William hisXmark Banks

And now at this day to wit at a Circuit Court continued by adjournment and held for the County and
Circuit aforesaid on the 26th day of April AD 1833 present as before stated in this declaration Comes now
into the open court the aforesaid William Banks the declarant and makes this amendment to his former
declaration. That is to say in answer to the fifth and seventh questions prescribed by the war department he
states General [Anthony] Wayne and General [Daniel] Morgan and Gen. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene]
and Col. Mathews were officers in the regular service [sic: Sampson Mathews a militia colonel] with
whom he was acquainted. And he says that Mr. John Wingate Mr. Daniel Chadd and the Rev'd. John
Clements are persons in his neighbourhood who can testify to his good moral character.

William hisXmark Banks

[On 8 Dec 1837 Banks explained that he signed by his mark rather than by signature because "he had left
his glasses or spectacle at home, by forgetfulness."]

NOTE: On 26 Apr 1855 Elizabeth Banks, 73 years and nine months old, at the residence of her son Wesley
J. Banks in Putnam County applied for a pension and bounty land stating that as Elizabeth Brown she
married William Banks in Garrard County KY on 10 Dec 1801, and he died 5 Sep 1839. As proof of
marriage Daniel P. Banks submitted an original family record from a Bible possessed by himself, a
brother, and his mother, who lived together. The record is now very faded but transcribed below with the
aid of a typed transcript in the file.

William Banks & Elizabeth his wife were married Dec'r 10th 1801.

John Banks & Louisa his wife was married Nov. 21st 1843

William Banks was born June 25th 1762/ Departed this life Sept 5th A.D. 1839

Elizabeth Banks Consort of William Banks was born on the 27th of July A.D. 1781

Nancy Banks daughter of William & Elizabeth Banks was born Aug 4th 1802/ Departed this life Jan 22nd
AD 1827

Frances Banks was born June 10th 1805/ Departed this life October [illegible] 1806

Mary Banks was born Feb 15th 1807/ Depated this life Feb the 12th A.D. 1846

Elizabeth Banks was bon Feb 8th 1809

Daniel P. Banks was born Sep 30th 1810

William S. Banks was born Feb 2nd A.D. 1814

Emily A. Banks was born Dec 19th 1815

Almirium Banks was born [Feb 5th 1818]/ Departed this life Sept the 4th AD. 1847

John Smith Banks was born March 7th AD 1820

Joseph R Banks was born July 15 1823/ Departed this life Dec the 4th AD. 1846

Wesley J. Banks was born July 28th 1825

Emily A Banks Jun was born May the 10th 1845