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Pension Application of Francis Arnold W106

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State of Tennessee } Sept'r 12th 1818
White County Sct } }

This Day before me Parry W Humphreys one of the Judges of the Circuit Court for the State & County aforesaid Now presiding in the 3rd Judicial Circuit Court Francis Arnold an inhabitant in said County aged 62 years who being by me first duly sworn the truth to declare & speak relative to his services in the army of the United States in the time of the revalutionary war with a view to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war Declares & says that about a year (as well as he remembers) before the Battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] at a place called New market in the County of Spotsylvania in Virginia, he enlisted with a recruiting officer by the name of Miner as a soldier in the Army of the United States on continental establishment [see endnote] for the term of 3 years he was marched to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] & pun under the Command of a Capt'n whose name he thinks was Quarles of the 2nd Virginia Regiment of which Charles Dabney was Colonel or Lieutenant Colo & William Brent afterward Colo. of the 1st Regiment commanded them a short time as he believes as Colo. but of these things he has but an indistinct recollection by reason of the great laps of time but he served out his time of three years & was discharged at falmouth in Va by the Maj'r John Lee of the 2nd Regiment under whom he had served his discharge he has lost long since & he has no other evidence of his service in his power to produce other than the affidavit of Charles Kennedy esq'r. hereto annexed he further says that he has no means of subsistance but by his labour & which he is unable to perform by his having lost in a great degree the use of one of his arms & his situation & circumstances in life are such & so reduced as to require assistance from his country support & he therefor applys for the benefit of the provisions of the said act of Congress —

Francis hisXmark Arnold

State of Tennessee }
White County } On his 8th day of September in the year 1826 personally appeared in Open Court, in the Honorable Circuit Court being a Court of Record for said County in the third Judicial Circuit in said state, Francis Arnold a resident of said County aged 68 years in January last 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 18th March 1818 and of the 1st May 1820. The said Francis Arnold enlisted as a private soldier for the term of three years in the Winter or Spring in the year of Our Lord 1777, within the state of Virginia in the Company Comanded by Captain Thomas Minor, afterwards by Captain [William] Long as he thinks in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Charles Dabney in the line of the state of Virginia in the second Regiment of the Virginia Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in said Corps until the expiration of the three years for which he enlisted, when he was discharged in 1780 from the service in Falmouth in the state of Virginia, and he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension except the present. That his name has been placed on the pension list, that he has never received his pension Certificate therefore Cannot state the number. The reason why he did not make an earlier application for the Continuation of the pension is this. He is incapable of attending to business of this nature himself and his friends whom he procured to write on this subject could not as they informed him, learn any thing about it. Nor did he ever learn that he was on the pension list till three or four Weeks ago when he was informed by letter from Jacob C. Isaacks Esq member to Congress from this District, that he was on the pension list. And in pursuance of the Act of May 1st 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. I am by Occupation a farmer, I am entirely unable to follow that occupation. my family consists of myself my wife Elizabeth Arnold aged about 52 years. She is unhealthy, much debilitated and nearly incapable of doing any labor, and one daughter named Barbary about the age of 17 years; she has been unhealthy but now seems to be improving with regard to health and strength.

Schedule

1 Cow and Calf of the value of	\$8.00
2 yearling heifers of the value of	6.00
1 two year old steer of the value of	4.00
1 pot and oven of the value of	1.50
1 Old Bason of the value of	.25
1 Iron potrack of the value of	1.00
1 Pigin of the value of	.25
Old pewter to the value of	.50
1 pair pothooks of the value of	.25
1 Clivis of the value of	.25
1 old Loom of the value of	.50
3 knives and 3 forks of the value of	75
3 Tea cups and 3 saucers of the value of	25
3 Earthen plates of the value of	<u>25</u>
	\$23.75

