

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Thomason W1097 Catharine f62VA
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State of Tennessee

On this 27 day of September 1819 before me the Subscriber one of the Judges of the Circuit Court in said State personally appeared George Tomason [sic] aged 64 years Resident of Smith County in the said State who being by me 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 Services of the United States in the revolutionary war that he the said George Tomason Elisted [enlisted] for the term of two years on the __day of February in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Walker in the 3rd Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Marshall [Thomas Marshall] in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment that he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the United States until the month of February 1778 when he was discharged from service at Valley Forge in State of Pennsylvania that he was in the battle [of] Germantown [October 4, 1777] and he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of assistance of his country for support and that he has no other Evidence now in his power of said Services. His discharge has long since been lost by time or accident.

Sworn to and declared before me the day & year aforesaid.

S/ J. C. Isacks, Judge

S/ George Thomason, X his mark

I George Thomason do release all claims to any other pension which may have been allowed by any other Act of Congress except that above referred to.

S/ George Thomason, X his mark

[f p 9]

State of Tennessee Smith County Court: August Term 1820

On this 17 of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record for the County aforesaid, George Thomas and, aged 64 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, he entered the service in 1775, for two years, in Captain Walker's Company 3rd Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Marshall, served his term of two years and enlisted for two years longer, and served until discharged at Valley Forge, made a declaration in 1819 – but has not Received any answer, – And 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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” 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 – has one old horse – has a wife 55 years of age, and two children living with him, boys one aged 15 and the other 16 years – has the [several indecipherable words, looks like (but makes no sense) "use of his belly broke,"] and unable to make a support.

S/ George Tomason [sic], X his mark

[f p. 12: On July 1, 1839 in DeKalb County Tennessee, Catharine Thomason, 73, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of George Thomason, a revolutionary war pensioner who served a tour of duty under Captain Powell in the second or third Regiment of the Virginia line; that she married him in Albemarle County Virginia August 2, 1783 and that her husband died May 4th, 1833. She signed her application with her mark.]

[f p 23: On July sixth, 1840 in DeKalb County Tennessee, Catharine Thomason gave further testimony that she had nine children by her husband namely Martha, Spicy, Edmund, Polly, Thomas, George, Elizabeth, John and David; that she has no record of their ages and that she does not remember the exact dates of their births; that her first child was born a short time before the anniversary of her marriage.]

[f p 16: On April 28, 1843 in Smith County Tennessee, George W Thomason of said County gave testimony that he is the son of George and Catharine Thomason. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[f p 17: On September seventh, 1841 [last digit unclear] Edmund Thomason, aged about 59 years, gave testimony in White County Illinois that he is the son of George and Catharine Thomason; that his parents had a large family of children whose names are as follows: Edmund, Marthy, Spicey, George, John, David as well as the following children who are now dead: Thomas, Betsey and Polly; that his father died in that part of Smith County Tennessee which later became DeKalb County Tennessee. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing September 27, 1819 for service as a private for two years in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's widow was pensioned in the amount of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836.]