

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas McMillan (McMillin) W2830

Mary McMillan

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Allegheny County

State of Pennsylvania SS

On this 4th day of March 1839 personally appeared in the District Court in and for said County of Allegheny Mary McMillan a resident of Robinson Township in the County aforesaid aged seventy-three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."

That she is the widow of Thomas McMillan who was a private soldier in the Army of the revolutionary war, – That she has frequently heard her husband the said Thomas McMillan relate his services as a soldier in the war of the revolution – that he served therein three years and six months part of which time was in the rifle Regiment commanded by Colonel Morgan [Daniel Morgan] – Deponent is now aged in years and has not a distinct recollection of things gone by and cannot therefore now state all the circumstances related to her by her said husband of his services in the revolutionary war: – Deponent however has heard him speak of being present at the battles of Ticonderoga [May 10, 1775], Stony Point [July 16, 1779] and other places.

This Deponent was married to said Thomas McMillan in the County of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania as aforesaid in the year 1787 and that the marriage ceremony was performed by the Reverend Mr. Clark in the presence of witnesses but that no certificate of marriage was given nor was any entry of the marriage made in any record or book it not being customary at that time so to do: – That her husband the said Thomas McMillan died on the 8th day of June 1831. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous the first of January 1794 viz.: at the time within stated. –

In witness whereof the said Mary McMillan appeared in open Court to let the District Court of Allegheny County as aforesaid on this the 4th day of March A.D. 1839, the said Court being a court of record and made oath to the foregoing.

Signed

S/ Mary McMillan, X her mark

[p 4: In the city of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County Pennsylvania John Young, 66, gave testimony that he is a brother of Mary McMillan, who married Thomas McMillan in 1787; that they lived together as man and wife until the death of Thomas McMillan in 1831; that his sister has remained a widow since that date; that he remembers hearing his brother-in-law speak of his service in the battles of Stony Point and Ticonderoga and other battles – that he served under Colonel Morgan; that he was in the service for 3 ½ years; that the deponent obtained a paper from the papers of Thomas McMillan which appears to be a commission for an Ensign in the

the case.
Edmund M. Phillips

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[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for her husband's service as a private in the Virginia Continental line