

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nimrod Duncan W2925      Hannah Duncan      f51VA  
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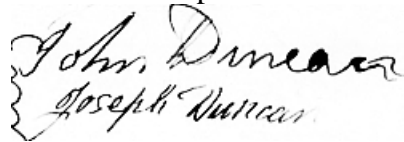
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State of Kentucky, Shelby County: On this the 10th day of December 1843 personally appeared before us Gideon Mitchell and Charles Baird acting Justices of the peace in and for the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky Mr. John Duncan and Mr. Joseph Duncan residents of the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky and sons of Nimrod Duncan who is a resident of the said County of Shelby aforesaid and aged about Eighty years and the said John Duncan aged about 53 and said Joseph Duncan about 50 years of age and said John and Joseph who after being duly sworn according to law doth on their acts make the following declaration on behalf of their father Nimrod Duncan who is by reason of insanity prevented from making his declaration or attending to any sort of business and the said John Duncan and Joseph Duncan make their Declaration above mentioned in order to obtain for their father the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 to wit that their father Nimrod Duncan enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1779 in the State line of Virginia and in Captain Mark Thomases Company in Major George Slaughter’s Corps raised for the western defense of Virginia by an act of assembly passed at Williamsburg the 5th day of November 1779 and that he continued to serve as a faithful soldier until he was regularly discharged on 21th December 1781 by Benjamin Roberts Capt. Comdt. and which discharge has been in the possession of said Nimrod Duncan from the time it was given until this day -- and which is herewith filed and attached to this by wafers- The said John and Joseph further declare that the said Nimrod Duncan resided in Fauquier County Virginia when he entered the service and march from thence to the falls of Ohio which is now in Kentucky and where the City of Louisville is now situated - They the said John and Joseph in behalf of their said Father, they being his nearest friends and the more deeply interested hereby relinquish every claim whatever the said Nimrod has to a pension or an annuity except the present and they declare that said Nimrod Duncan's name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid before us

S/ John Duncan

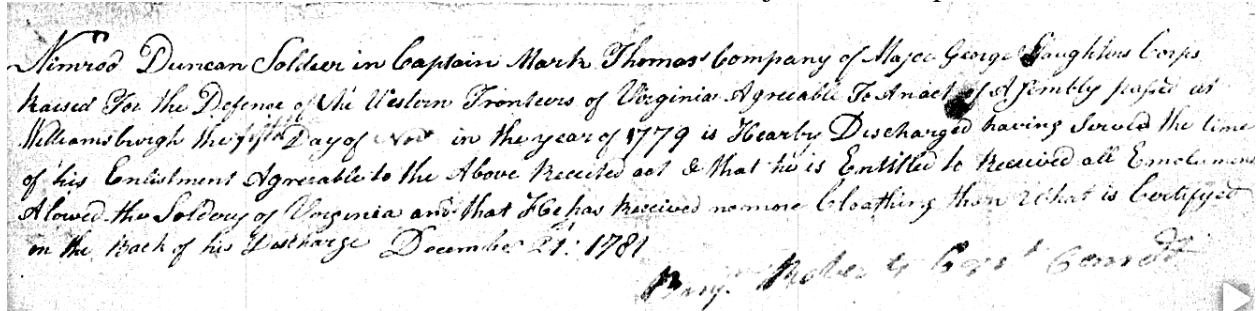
S/ Joseph Duncan



[attested by Gideon Mitchell and Charles Baird]

Nimrod Duncan Soldier in Captain Mark Thomas's Company of Major George Slaughter's Corps Raised for the Defense of the Western Frontiers of Virginia agreeable to an act of Assembly passed at Williamsburg the fifth Day of Nov. in the year of 1779 is Hearby Discharged having served the time of his Enlistment Agreeable to the Above Recited act & that he is Entitled to receive all Emoluments Allowed the Soldiers of Virginia and that he has Received no more Cloathing than what is Certified on the back of his Discharge December 21st, 1781

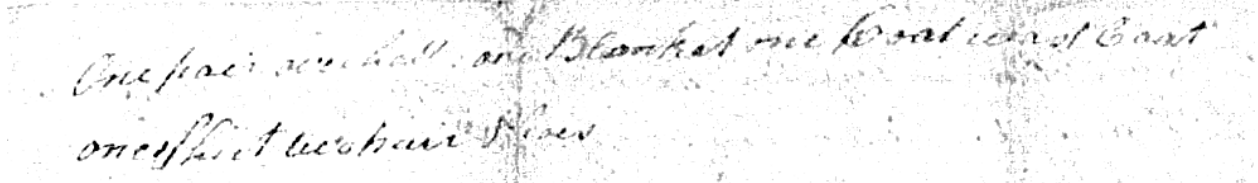
S/ Benj. Roberts Capt. Comdt.



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[p 45: On October 7, 1848 Shelby County Kentucky, Hannah Duncan applied for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of Nimrod Duncan, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him previous to the first day of January 1794; that he died March 9th, 1844; and that she remains his widow.]

[p 2: Nimrod Duncan (Non compass Mentis) was awarded a pension of \$77.45 since per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for one year, 11 months & seven days service as a private in the Virginia Continental line. The veteran's widow, Hannah, was pensioned at the same rate commencing March 4th, 1848.]

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Addendum to the Pension Application of Nimrod Duncan W2925

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 26 Sep 2019.

[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

State of Kentucky } Be it Remembered that on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 1842 personally appeared  
Shelby County } before me Gideon Mitchell an acting Justice of the peace in and for said County  
of Shelby and State of Kentucky Major Bland W Ballard [W20655] at his own house in said county of  
Shelby and who after being duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following statements  
towit that he is now upwards of Eighty three years of age and was himself a soldier of the Illinois  
Regiment during the war of the Revolution and that in the spring of the year 1780 he became acquainted  
with Nimrod Duncan and Benjamin Duncan who were Brothers and were privates as soldiers in the  
Illinois Regiment under the Command of General George Rogers Clark [VAS269] and in the Company  
of Lieutenant William Roberts [sic: Benjamin Roberts S31343] and that said Nimrod Duncan and said  
Benjamin Duncan both continued in said Regiment in said war until the troops of the Illinois Regiment  
were disbanded which period was considered the close of the war. These facts deponent cannot be  
mistaken in as he has a perfect recollection of said Duncans and know that they continued from the time  
he first knew them which was in the Spring of 1780 in Actual Service until the close of the war and that  
said Nimrod Duncan is now a live and resides in the County of Shelby State of Kentucky and further  
deponant saith not & hereunto sets his hand the day and year aforesaid

Bland W hisXmark Ballard

To the Executive of the State of virginia

The memorial of John Duncan and Joseph Duncan the Sons of and the committee for Nimrod  
Duncan an insane person and a resident of the County of Shelby State of Kentucky.

Your memorialist would respectfully state that while they are too young to have any personal  
knowledge of the services of their said Father in the war of the Revolution, they have been advised and  
believe that he was long a Soldier of the Illinois Regiment State line of Virginia in said war and on  
account of his long service in the afs'd capacity became entitled by virtue of the law of Virginia to Land  
Bounty.

Your memorialist would further state that they [undeciphered word] that the right of said Nimrod  
Duncan to Bounty Land to be unquestionable from the fact that they they have heard that his name is  
inrolled in the roll of Illinois volunteers who under their bold and adventurous leader succeeded in  
reducing the British forts in the west and in retaining them in subjection and thereby rendered sevice to  
their Country the importance of which can well be conceived of as no one can say what influence the  
reduction of said forts had on the contest. Your memorialist would also state that their aforesaid Fathers  
claim to pay for his service as a soldier of said Regiment said Line and in said war had been duly  
considered and allowed, which to your memorialist is conclusive evidence of his right to Bounty Land,  
and your memorialist humbly prays that the claim of Nimrod Duncan may be considered such an  
allowance made by the Executive of the State of Virginia for his Bounty Land promised by said  
Commonwealth to all those of his rank in said line and such they will ever pray.

[sent 3 July 1846]

[signed] John Duncan/ Joseph Duncan

Sept 2 1847. Gen. Rogers [sic] List of Officers Shows that his Regiment was out of Service in 1782. The  
proof of service here commences in '80 – not three years Rejected R T Daniel/ L. Gov.