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Pension Application of Thomas Coleman W3002 Lucy Coleman VA
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State of Kentucky, Barren County Sct..

On this [blank] day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County court for the County of Barren aforesaid Thomas Coleman a resident of the County of Barren in the State aforesaid, aged [blank] years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the revolution in the year [blank] with Capt. [John] Roberts, and served in the [blank] regiment of the Virginia State line twelve months, the term of his enlistment, under the following named officers: Capt. Roberts commanded the company when he first enlisted, & afterwards Capt. Pervis [sic: James Purvis], Capt. Roberts having been, as he understood, promoted to the rank of major. He resided in the County of Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] in the state of Virginia when he enlisted, and served at Albemarle Barracks guarding the prisoners taken with Burgoyne [at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777 and kept at Albemarle Barracks from Jan 1779 through Feb 1781]. He does not recollect the number of his regiment, but Col. [Francis] Taylor commanded at the Barracks. Having served out the term of twelve months, he again enlisted for eighteen months under Capt. Stripling (or Stribling) [Sigismund Stribling] in the regiment commanded by Col. [Richard] Campbell. He marched to Petersburg [sic: Petersburg], Virginia, not far from which he was put under the command of Col. Davis [sic: William Davies], and afterward of Col. John Green, under whose command and that of Col. [Samuel] Hawes he marched to Caroline & joined the army of Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene]. He was engaged in the battle of Eutaw springs [8 Sep 1781] when Col. Campbell was killed. He was with [Lt. Col. Henry] Lee and [Gen. Francis] Marion at the taking of several forts situated on the road from Charleston to Ninety Six. Having served the full term of eighteen months, he obtained his written discharge at Salisbury in North Carolina, to the best of his recollection. He obtained a written discharge also, after having served out the term of his first enlistment; and he states that he has lost both the said discharges. He does not recollect the names of his officers, except as already mentioned; and knows of no person now living by whom he can prove his services except Lewis Ferguson [pension application S32241] & John Walden, the former of whom once lived in Barren County in the aforesaid state, but is now resident, as he is informed, somewhere either in the State of Illinois or Indiana; and the latter once lived in Allen County, Kentucky, but has moved to parts unknown to said Coleman.

The said Thomas Coleman hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

NOTES:

On 27 Nov 1832 Annis Pulliam stated that she and Thomas Coleman "were raised children together," and that she recalled his going into the service.

On 28 Dec 1840 Lucy Coleman, 72, applied for a pension stating that she married Thomas Coleman "in the forepart of the month of May in the year 1785" in Culpeper County, and that he died on 17 Aug 1832. Samuel Strother stated that he had known Lucy Coleman for more than 60 years, that he witnessed her marriage in May 1785, and that he knew the date from his own family record and "from the said Lucy Coleman's Fathers record, which he has often seen, which last named record was destroyed by getting wet in a waggon when crossing a river, when her said Father was moving to Kentucky." On an application for bounty land dated 1 March 1855 her name before marriage was said to be Lucy Strother. A document in the file certifies the death of Thomas Coleman, leaving "his widow Lucy Coleman & several children."