

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Summers W3051

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State of Kentucky Fleming County Sct.

On this 3rd day of September 1832 Personally appeared in open court before William P. Roper Judge of the Fleming Circuit Court now sitting, John Summers a resident of the County of Fleming and State of Kentucky aged sixty-eight years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, to wit

In March 1781 in Frederick County State of Virginia he volunteered in Captain Adam Hyskill's [Adam Hiskill's] Company for three months. A Mr. Hyskill was Major also, we marched from Frederick County Virginia with five hundred prisoners taken to the best of my knowledge by General Morgan to Lancaster Pennsylvania where we were discharged by Adam Hyskill which was also burnt our three months having expired. Sometime in June 1781, I volunteered under Captain Marcus Calimiss [Marquis Calmes] for three, marched to head quarters at Richmond – joined General Stephens [Edward Stevens] William Dark Colonel marched from there to Williamsburg and was discharged by Captain Calimiss my discharge was burnt in this County my house having burnt, was born in the County of Prince William moved to Kentucky in 1788 and have resided here ever since, has no documentary evidence and knows of no person by whom he can conveniently prove his service. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any State. Sworn to and subscribed this day and date first above mentioned.

S/ John Summers



[William Moss, a clergyman, and William Summers gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[f p. 11: On July 27, 1846 in Fleming County Kentucky, Agnes Summers, 79 on February 10th last, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John Summers, a pensioner for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$20 per annum; that she married him in Frederick County Virginia October 26 1786; that she has applied to the clerk of the Frederick County Court for copy of her marriage license bond but none could be found; she has a family record which she submits in support of her claim; that the family record is in the handwriting of her husband; that the record was recorded on a blank page in the book entitled "An Essay on the Slavery and Commerce of the Human Species, particularly the African;" that

her husband died August 13, 1835; that the reason she did not apply earlier for her pension is as follows: "That at the death of her husband, She was left with an amount of money and property Sufficient to afford her a competent Support. That she went to live with one of her sons, in whose hand she placed all her means. That her son soon became improvident and unfortunate. And is now Dead, having spent nearly all her means, leaving her dependent on her other children for a support." She signed her application with her mark.]

[f p. 12: Jesse Summers, 53, and Benjamin some others, 51, children of the veteran and his widow gave an affidavit in support of their mother's application for a widow's pension.

Jesse Summers
Benjamin Summers

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[f p. 7: family record:

John Summers was born July 26 in the year 1764

Agnes Summers Daughter of Charles Bell was born February 10th 1767 was married October 26, 1787

Susanna Summers was born May 6, 1789

Thomas Summers was born May 21, 1791

Jesse Summers was born March 15, 1793

Benjamin Summers was born May 8, 1795

Lewey Summers was born May 19 1797

Nancy Summers was born March 7, 1799

Mason Summers was born February 6, 1801

Elizabeth Summers was born December 10, 1803

Mary Summers was born January 13 1805

John Summers Junior was born November 2, 1807

Emerson B. Summers was born March 25, 1810

Mary Green was born May 22 1821]

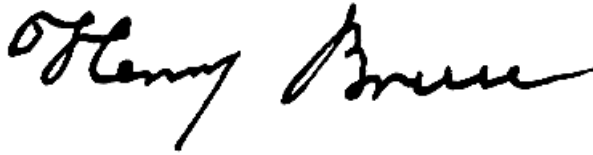
[f p. 37: On September 3, 1846, Elenor Bruce of Fleming County Kentucky, aged 68 in Me last, gave testimony in support of the widow's pension application in which she states that when Agnes' mother died, Agnes came to live with the affiant's father, Benjamin Threldkill who lived in Frederick County Virginia and continued to live at her father's house until Agnes married John Summers; that affiant's father Benjamin Threldkill moved to Kentucky in 1792 where John Summers and Agnes had already moved.

Elenor Bruce

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[f p. 37-38: Henry Bruce also gave an affidavit in support of the widow's pension application in which he states he became acquainted with John Summers and 1794; at that time John Summers

and his wife Agnes had 3 or 4 children; that Agnes Summers was the cousin of deponent's wife Elenor.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Henry Bruce". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]