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Pension Application of Vincent Bustle (Bussle) W5963

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Virginia to wit

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1818 before me the undersigned a Judge of the General Court and Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit came Vincent Bustle resident in my said Circuit and on his oath made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War." That in the close of the year 1781 he the said Vincent Bustle enlisted at Stafford Court House under Capt. Thomas Mountjoy in the 15<sup>th</sup> Reg't. commanded by Colo. [Samuel] Hawes on Continental establishment & continued to serve in the said Reg't. for more than twelve months until the end of the War. That he never did obtain a written discharge. And that he is so poor as to need the assistance of his country for support.

Virginia Stafford County to wit:

On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 1820 in open Court, being a Court of Record made so by Law, personally appeared Vincent Bustle, aged about 62 years, resident in said County, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. That he was enlisted for three years, in Stafford County aforesaid, by the agency of Colo. Thomas Mountjoy of said County who put him under Capt. Abram Fitzpatrick in Colo. Humes' [sic] Regiment, which was under the command of General Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg], and served under them about 18 months in guarding the British prisoners near Winchester till they were moved out of the State, when this declarant was furloughed to be ready when called for – but was never called for – that the number of the certificate of his pension, which commenced the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1818, is 6.262 – And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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, viz – 2 Cows & Calves – 1 Colt, 1 Sow 3 shoats, – 2 ploughs – 2 Hoes – 1 axe – 6 Chairs – 1 Table – 2 pots – 1 oven ½ doz pewter spoons – 1 Coffee pot – 1 milk pot – one Bowl – (Exclusive of bedding & wearing cloathes) The whole valued by the Court to \$41.72 – His occupation is that of a farmer, planter or Labourer, but that from a former cut on the left knee, which, at times, is painful, and from Rheumatism at times in the shoulders & back he finds himself considerably deficient in Labour. That his family consists of his wife Elizabeth, about 50 years old and daughter Polly about 11 years old, both of whom are as healthy as common – That he has a son by the name of George about fifteen years old, whose occupation is that of a common Labourer, who left him & was absent about two years by water & since his return, is sometimes with him & sometimes not – so that he cannot consider him a permanent or regular member of his family. Vincent hisXmark Bustle

NOTES:

Bailey Willis (pension application S39894 ) certified that he had known Bustle in the 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment.

On 12 Oct 1840 Eliza Bussle applied for a pension stating that she married Vincent Bussle in Dec 1785, and he died on 28 Dec 1839. The file includes a copy of the following marriage record: "1785

Decemb. Vincent Bussle to Eliz'h. Jones, both of Overwharton Parish." On 14 Aug 1843 Elizabeth Bussle was said to be 79½ years old, and on 22 March 1845 she was said to be about 80.