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Pension application of George Tucker W6319 Martha fn25GA
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State of Alabama Fayette County: County Court in Vacation December 3rd 1833

On this 3rd day of December 1833 personally appeared in Vacation before the Honorable Walter Haskins Judge of the County Court of Fayette County Alabama George Tucker a resident of Marion County Alabama aged near 88 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 Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born on the 13th day of December 1745 in Amelia County State of Virginia my father moved from Virginia when I was a small boy and settled in Onslow County North Carolina where he lived 12 or 15 years at which time I left there and went with an older Brother to Wilkes County Georgia and improved a piece of land in that County and in the fall thereafter assisted in moving my Father & family to said place as well as I can recollect was in the year 1773 or 1774 during the next spring or the spring thereafter the Indians became troublesome on the frontiers in so much that we had to build forts and live in them. There was orders sometimes afterwards from Governor Habersham to raise a horse company to guard the frontiers as Rangers John Dooly was Colonel Commandant of the County at that time; the company was raised and Zachariah Philips was elected Captain I was elected Lieutenant and James White Ensign we served 6 months and were then paid for our service in Georgia paper money which was depreciated in value and was worth nothing to us. After that as I understood by our Colonel that the Governor had directed spies to be employed to range the frontiers &c I volunteered for one and with others was constantly engaged in that service but under no regular command until Savannah was captured by the British after which we understood the British were aiming for Augusta and myself with others went on to join General Ash [sic, John Ashe] but before we reached his command he was defeated. After that the British under Colonel Brown took possession of Augusta; Sometime after Colonel Elijah Clarke raised is many men as he could and I was one of them and went and attacked the British in Augusta for several days but could not discharged them and we had to raise the siege and leave the place on the appearance of a reinforcement of British troops appearing in sight Colonel Clarke then retreated to South Carolina I was with [him] as a volunteer I remained under his command 8 months or more before I returned home during which time I was in a Battle at Black Stocks [sic, Blackstocks] on Tyger River General Sumter [sic, Thomas Sumter] was our commander in chief. The next Battle was at the Cowpens General Morgan commander in chief. The next Battle was on a Creek called Big Hogskin General Pickens commanded in chief there and we took Major Dunlap of the British and about 80 prisoners. The next Battle I was in was on a Creek called Long Creek, General Pickens commanded in chief and we were there defeated and Colonel Clarke was wounded some

time afterwards I was at the siege of Ninety Six Benjamin Few was our Colonel after Clarke was wounded. Colonels Lee and Washington came and took our place before Ninety Six and those companies one of which I belonged to returned to Georgia and besieged and took Augusta General Pickens was still our commander in chief when Augusta was taken we were all discharged and went home our discharges were all given to us by Colonel Clarke my discharges and commissioned was burnt in my house some years ago but after we returned home we had very troublesome times with the Tories and Indians for more than 12 months during all which time I was frequently engaged from the beginning of the war in Georgia to the end of it but it has been so long ago that I cannot recollect every particular &c I have no documentary evidence and I know of no person whose testimony I can procure who can testify to my service therefore I relinquish my claim as an officer and claim it as a private soldier and my reason for claiming out of my County is it is the nearest office and more among my oldest claimant's. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State and there is no clergyman residing in my vicinity whom I can get to testify to my declaration and referred to the annexed certificate of Samuel Caple and James B. Morton

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Jas. B. Morton, Clk

S/ George Tucker

Q 1st Where and in what year were you born?

A: I was born in Amelia County Virginia in the year 1745

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A: no, only from the information of my parents

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A: I was living in the State of Georgia when called into service since that time I have lived in Alabama and in Marion County

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

A: Each Term of service I volunteered.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

A: Colonel Clarke, Dooly, Few & Twiggs, Candler, Major Cunningham and General Jackson, Sumter, and Dickens &c

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

A: I received 2 discharges both were signed by Colonel Clarke and one commission signed by Governor Habersham which were all burnt in my house [Samuel Caple and James B. Morton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 14: on September or 6, 1856 in Marion County Alabama, Mrs. Martha Tucker, 75, filed for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of George Tucker, a pensioner for his services in the revolution; that she married him December 29, 1821 in Georgia; that her husband departed this life in Marion County Alabama on January 16th 1852 and that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 24: Prudence Tucker and Rebecca Griggs of Marion County Alabama gave testimony that they were present at the marriage of George Tucker to Martha Tucker (formerly Martha Nichols) by one Jourdan Crumpton, JP of Jasper County, Ala.]