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Pension Application of John Davis W6959

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State of Virginia,

Orange County, Sc.

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832, personally appeared in Open Court before the justices of the peace of the County Court of Orange, now sitting, John Davis, a resident of the said County and State aged, about 76 years, who being first 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. "That he enlisted in the state service of Virginia in what year he does not recollect, and served in Col. Francis Taylor's [Convention Army Guard] regiment of the Va. line under the following Officers to wit. Col. Francis Taylor, Maj. [John] Roberts, Capt Ambrose Madison, and after he resigned Capt James Burton, and Lieutenant John Goodall; that he served at the Barracks in Albemarle under these Officers for twelve months, and was then discharged; that he afterwards entered the militia service under Capt George Waugh, in the 3 Regiment Commanded by Col. [Sampson] Matthews, and served two months; that he marched from Orange where he entered the service to Richmond, and thence to Cabbin point [sic: Cabin Point in Surry County], thence to Petersburg, where he was discharged. That in the year that Wallis was taken [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] he was again drafted in the militia under Capt [blank] and marched to York, and was at the siege and taking of Wallis – he does not recollect the names of the field Officers under whom he served. He was in the service three months this tour; and was so much engaged that he did not become acquainted with the field Officers sufficiently well to recollect their names at this distance of time. That he lived in Orange at the times he entered the service enlisted the first time and was drafted two last tours. 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 the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day aforesaid                      Signed                      "John hisXmark Davis"

[Absalom Roach (pension application S7404) and Richard Goodall (S15861 ) stated that they had served with Davis.]

NOTE: On 27 May 1845 Nancy Davis, 80, of Greene County VA, applied for a pension stating that she married John Davis about 1789, and he died 24 Mar 1844. Her application was witnessed by Peachy Davis. On 27 July 1846 Richard Snow swore before Edmund Davis, Justice of the Peace, that John Davis and Nancy Snow had been married by Rev. William Woods. On 18 Nov 1846 Edmund Davis stated that he first became acquainted with John Davis before 1794 when he lived with and was an overseer for Edmund Davis's uncle, Thomas Davis, who died on 12 Mar 1797. On the same day Byrd Snow stated that about a year after the marriage, John and Nancy Davis went to live on the land of John Snow for two years, then went to live with Thomas Davis for three years.