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Pension application of William Dickens (Dicken) W8197 Elizabeth fn39NC
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State of North Carolina Halifax County

On this 20th day of August A.D. 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for Halifax County, now sitting, William Dicken aged seventy-one 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 seventh, 1832:

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated, viz.: he volunteered in Halifax County, North Carolina about two years before the fight at Guilford Court House, being the same year the battle at Stono was fought under Capt. Jarvis & was marched to Charleston, South Carolina, under Col. Jonas Johnston & fought at Stono under General Lincoln & General Butler; served four months & was discharged somewhere in South Carolina -- he was drafted in the spring of the year when the battle was fought at Guilford Court House, from the militia of Halifax County, & marched under Capt. Horne in Col. Hill's Regiment but was not in the battle at Guilford C H was at that time doing duty in a fatigue party; he was discharged at Ramsey's Mills in North Carolina after being in service three months; his discharges are lost, & he is unable to say what became of them. -- he was born in Northampton County North Carolina, has a record of his age at home -- has resided as he now does in the since the revolutionary war 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 & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ M. H. Pettway, Clk

S/ William Dickin, X his mark

[Miles Smith, a clergyman, and Willis Alston gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of North Carolina Halifax County

William Dicken the declarant in the annexed application, a man of credibility came before me Rice B. Pierce a Justice of the Peace for Halifax County in the State of North Carolina, being duly sworn deposes & says at the first tour he served as mentioned in his said declaration Lieut. robbers was an officer & after the Army arrived at Stono, Capt. Jarvis was made Major & then Lieut. Sherrard took charge of the company. That at the second tour as mentioned in his said declaration General Butler commanded, Col. Linton & Col. Eaton were also officers but he does not recollect whether each commanded a Regiment or what Regiment they belonged to.

Sworn & subscribed before made this 11th day of April 1833

S/ Rice B. Pierce, JP

S/ William Dicken, X his mark

[fn p. 11: on second day of June 1856 in Hardeman County Tennessee, Elizabeth Dicken, 75, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of William Dicken; that she married him about October 1836 (not certain of the exact date or year) in Halifax County North Carolina by Garrett or Garrard Esquire a justice of the peace that her name before her marriage was Elizabeth Dicken; that her husband died about March 19 1839 (precise date and year not remembered)]

[fn p. 13: Own November 22, 1853, Elizabeth Dicken made oath in Maury County Tennessee that she was lawfully married to William Dicken on December 18th 1826 in Halifax County North Carolina; that her husband died March 19 1837 in Halifax County North Carolina; that she remains his widow; that her husband was a pensioner of the United States for his services in the revolution at the rate of \$48 per annum.]

[fn p. 19: marriage bond dated December 18, 1826 issued to secure the marriage of William Dicken to Elizabeth Dicken issued in Halifax County North Carolina.]

We Matthew Dicken and Bradford Dicken residence of the County of Hardeman and State of Tennessee upon our oaths declare that the forewarned declaration sworn to and subscribed in our presence and that we believe from the appearance and statements of the applicant that she is the identical person she represents herself to be -- Matthew Dicken makes oath also that he is the grandson of Elizabeth Dicken; that she resides in his fathers house -- that she is a widow and that it is understood and reputed by all in the family that his grandfather William Dicken has been dead about 17 years -- Bradford Dicken also makes oath that he is the son of Elizabeth Dicken and he knows that his father William Dicken is dead and that his mother Elizabeth Dicken now resides with him & is a widow & has been ever since the death of the said William Dicken.

[May 2, 1856]

S/ Matthew Dicken

S/ Bradford Dicken