

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Fiatt Wisong W8305 Susannah Wisong VA
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Virginia At a Court held at the Courthouse for the County of Botetourt on Tuesday the 14th day of May 1833

On this 14th day of May 1833 Fiatt Wisong comes into Court and makes and swears to the following Declaration for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the act of Congress approved on the 7th of June 1832 that he was born in the neighbourhood of York in the State of Pennsylvania after living for some time in that place he removed to Shepherdstown then in the County of Berkly and State of Virginia [sic: Berkeley County, now in Jefferson County WV] that he was then drafted to serve in a Militia regiment Commanded by Col. Morrow that he continued in that service for the space of five months that his Captain was Josiah Swearingen and Isaac Johns was the Lieutenant of the Company in which he served after marching to Fort McIntosh at present in the State of Ohio [sic: at Beaver PA] he became associated with the Army under the command of General [Lachlan] McIntosh that from thence they were marched to Muskingham [sic: Muskingum River] and there built a fort [Fort Laurens on Tuscarawas River near present Bolivar OH, completed Jan 1779] and from there he was marched to Fort McIntosh where he was discharged he would state that during the period he was associated with the regular army he remembers to have seen Gen'l McIntosh and Colo. Richard Campbell afterwards killed at the Eutaw Spring [sic: Battle of Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] that shortly after his return to Shepherdstown to wit in the following Spring he removed from that place to the Town of Fincastle in the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia in the Fall following to wit in 1781 he was again drafted and marched under the orders of Captain Joseph Looney Lieutenant [James] Tosh (his name of Baptism not recollected) and Ensign William McClenahan to Bottoms Bridge a few miles below Richmond that after being joined by other Troops he was march to York Town and was present at the Siege of that place [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and after the event of the Siege he was discharged. (In this service he was employed for the Term of three months). he of course remembers that at that time the army was commanded by General Washington he also remembers that Gen'l. Lay Fayette [sic: Lafayette] was present and had a command in the army whilst he was in the service he remembers that Gen'l. [Anthony] Wayne was also in Command in Virginia, and, that Gen'l. William Campbell of the Virginia Militia was in the same service but was not at the Siege whether by time or accident lost both of his discharges. his house was burnt some years ago whether the discharges were burnt on that occasion or has been decayed by time or lost by accident he is unable to say he had long since lost every prospect of being remembered by his Country and consequently had no motive for preserving the evidence of his services He knows of no person by whom he can prove his services the time has been so long that if any still survive they are probably dispersed in various parts the country. The said Fiatt Wisong says that he has never received any pensions from either the Federal Government or the Government of Virginia and he renounces all claim to any provision for him by pension except the present he says he is now in his seventy-eight year and was consequently born in the year 1754 the said Fiatt says he never served as an officer and that his neighbours amongst others are Samuel Kinnerly, Col. William Anderson John Moore[?] Henry May[?] & the Rev'd. Absalom Dempsey since the year 1781 he has constantly resided in Botetourt County Virginia

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid Fiatt hisXmark Wison

NOTE: On 14 Feb 1853 Susannah Wisong applied for a pension stating that as Susannah Coffman she married Fiatt or Fayatt Wisong on 28 March 1816, and he died on 4 Aug 1837. The Clerk certified that the marriage was officiated by Re. John Helmes. On an application for bounty land dated 28 March 1855 Susannah Wisong was said to be 67.