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Pension Application of Charles Neal W9587                      Ann Neal                      VA  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 29 Aug 2020.

State of Kentucky sct:

This Day Charles Neal personally appeared before me one of the Circuit Judges for the Comm'th afores'd. and made oath that he served in the Revolutionary war as a regular soldier for upwards of two years and an half in the service of the United States. That he entered the service about 1779 or 1780 in Colo. William Washingtons Regiment of Light Dragoons. He was at the Battle of the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781] of Camden [probably Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] Guilford Court House [15 Mar 1781] and at the Eutaw springs [8 Sep 1781] That he served out his time and at the close of the war he was honorably discharged at Nelsons Ferry on Santee river the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1782 or 1783 he cant recollect which. That he is fifty five years of age, is infirm and poor and hopes to be placed on the pension list. That he has always been a citizen of of the United States now living in Scott County and State of Kentucky and has never rec'd a pension. Witness my hand this 22 of April 1818

Benj. Johnson Circuit Judge

State of Kentucky Sct{

This Day personally appeared before me the undersigned, one of the Circuit Judges for the County afores'd John Jacobs [W9071] and made oath that he knew the afores'd Charles Neale in the year 1780 when the said Neal enlisted in Colo. William Washingtons Regiment of Light Dragoons and that he served to the end of the war, that affiant being a private in said regiment. that he has known the s'd Charles Neal ever since and that he is in reduced circumstances and needs assistance witness my hand this 31 of Dec'r 1818

Benj. Johnson/ Circuit Judge

District of Ky SS.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1820 personally appeared in Open court being a court of record for the county of Scott and District aforesaid, Charles Neal aged fifty eight years resident in the county and District aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows; viz

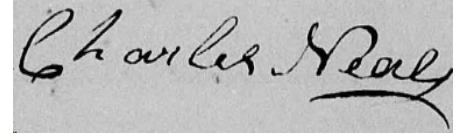
In the company commanded by Capt. Wm. Barnett [sic: William Barret, VAS1781] in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment of light Dragoons commanded by Col. William Washington according to a former Declaration dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1818 and pension certificate No. 6878 – And I do solemnly swear that 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 provision of an act of Congress entitled an “Act to provide for certain persons 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 securities contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule here to annexed and by me subscribed Viz.

four head of cattle worth	\$30.00
one colt worth	5.00
one Debt due me from J. Adkins	<u>40.00</u>
	75.00
five small hogs worth	<u>5.00</u>
	\$80.00

and that he has with himself Six in family

Viz. Anny Neal aged 52 years not able except in a very small degree to support herself Betsy Neal aged 20 years Anny Neal aged 18 years. William A. Neal aged 16 years and Lucy Neal aged 14 years all whom

are able to support themselves  
That he is by profession a farmer but not able to do much at it.

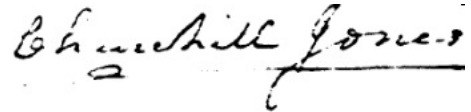


[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

Sir Orange April 10<sup>th</sup> 1806


I find by the papers in my possession that Charles Neal was enlisted as a Souldier in the 3<sup>d</sup> Reg't L. Dragoons for 3 years in the Month of October 1780 that he joined the Reg't in the same month. I further find him on the Muster Roll in the Month of August 1782, therefore have no doubt but he served to the end of the War. I am Sir your/ Hble Sv't

Churchill Jones [BLWt304-300]



I Charles Neal of the County of Scott & State of Kentucky, do declare that I was raised in Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] County in the State of Virginia, that I in the year 1780 went a tour as a Soldier in the Militia, & proceeded as far South as Hillsborough in North Carolina where on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 1780 I enlisted as a Soldier to serve during the war into Capt William Barretts Troop of Light Dragoons which belonged to Col. Wm Washington Regiment, in the Virginia Continental line. That I went with the Redgiment to the South, & was at the battle of the Cowpens, at Camden, at Guilford Court House & at the Eutaw Springs, that I continued with the said Redgiment until the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1783, when I & the whole Redgiment was discharged at Nelsons ferry on the Santee River in South Carolina, that I was honorably discharged, & received a written discharge, but considering the said discharge of no importance, I lost it & can not now find, that I have never received any Military Land warrant, or sold or disposed of it, or my right to it in any way whatever

[21 June 1819]



I John Story [S30721] of the County of Franklin & State of Kentucky do declare, that I in the fall of the year 1780 at Hillsborough in North Carolina enlisted as a Soldier into Col. Wm Washingtons Regiment of Light Dragoons in the Virginia Continental line & to serve during the war, and I do further declare that Charles Neal enlisted at the same time as a Soldier, in the same Regiment, & to serve during the war, that I was afterwards a mess mate with the said Neal, knew him before we went into the service & after the war – that the said Neal was in the following battles viz at the Cowpens, Camden, Guilford Court House & Eutaw Springs That he did serve to the close of the war or until the peace of 1783 he was honorably discharged, that he was never a Sergeant to my knowledge [see end note], that he was a good & faithful soldier, & served honorably, & that he has always sustained the character of an honest, worthy &

[undeciphered] Citizen.

John hisXmark Story

[3 July 1819]

[several illegible words] the County of Franklin & State of Kentucky

I William Cardwell [W8590] of the County of Bullitt & State of Kentucky do declare, that I was a Quarter Master's Sergeant in the third Virginia Continental Regiment of Light Dragoons commanded by Col. Baylor [George Baylor W5966], & afterwards by Col. Washington, that I was acquainted in service with Charles Neal, that he enlisted in 1780 as a private soldier to serve during the war into the said Regiment, that the said Charles Neal served as a Soldier faithfully to the close of the war, & was honorably

discharged, & that the said Neal never was a Serjeant in the service.  
[28 July 1819]

*William Caldwell*

[The following two items are misfiled with Neale, Charles.]

State of Kentucky/ Scott County Sct

This day came before me Benjamin Lockett [S41780] who served in the continental establishment with Charles Neal a petitioner for Bounty Lands and made Oath that he served together with the said Charles Neal in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment of the Virginia Light dragoons 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Reg't being made one, and known by the name of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Reg't commanded by Major Swan [John Swan VAS2026] of the Continental establishment and that he served with the said Charles Neal until the close of the war when he was dismissed by furlow without date at Nelsons Ferry, on Santee [River] 12 May 1783 by Capt. Will Parsons [William Parsons R16965]

Given under my hand & seal as Justice of the Peace in and for said County of Scott this 11<sup>th</sup> Sept  
1822 David Herndon JPSC

State of Kentucky. Fayette County Sct

This day Charles Neal states in addition, that he enlisted in Hillsborough, North Carolina for "During the War," that he served & was Honorably discharged as before stated & I do hereby appoint my Ajent to recover my Bounty Land warrant from the State of Virginia for my Services in the Revolutionary War. Witness my hand & seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1823

*Charles Neal*

NOTES:

The statement that Charles Neal was never a sergeant was apparently to avoid confusion with Charles Neale (VAS3956), who was a sergeant in the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Light Dragoons.

On 8 Oct 1838 in Switzerland County IN Ann Neal, "aged seventy years and upwards," applied for a pension stating that she married Charles Neal in Aug 1784 or 1785 in Orange County VA, and he died in Aug 1831. With her application is a record of the names and dates of birth of their children transcribed as follows:

Robert M. Neal was Born July 4[?] 1786

Margret[rest of name undeciphered] Neal was Born Feby 2<sup>nd</sup> 1788

Charles Neal was Born Feby 12<sup>th</sup> 1790

Fielding Neal was Born August 24<sup>th</sup> 1792

John Neal was Born November 30<sup>th</sup> 1794

Poly Neal was Born June 13<sup>th</sup> 1797

Betsy Neal was Born Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1799