Pension application of Isaac Tignor R10602

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[Note: this file contains no pension application: the following letters contain some indication of what the application may have contained:

Pen. Off. [Pension Office]

Apr. 14, '43 [1843]

Sir:

The claim of Isaac Tignor has been examined and disallowed. He alleges six months service under a draft of the militia in 1781 from the County of Northumberland, State of Virginia. That term of service was limited by law to three months and the men drafted from the northern neck who did not escort the prisoners to Winchester served less than three months. As his service did not amount to six months, his case cannot be brought within the provisions of the act of June 32.

Hon. Thomas Many, Franklin, Tenn.

House of Representatives December 8, '45

Sir:

I am requested by Isaac Tignor of Williamson County Tennessee to ask of you a re-examination of his claim for a Pension, which has been rejected heretofore upon the ground that he did not serve six months. He alleges that he served as a substitute for another man, and that all those who failed to rendezvous upon a given day were as a punishment required to serve longer than was contemplated at the time when the draft was made &c. He says that the man who employed him as a substitute was of the number who thus failed to rendezvous according to orders and that he was required to go upon a different service and served a longer period than at first contemplated. Mr. Tignor is in his neighborhood regarded as an honest & truthful man. He is very poor, and if the records of your office furnish any proof that he is entitled to a Pension I hope that fact will be ascertained by you and his claim allowed.

Respectfully]
M. P Gentry

[Note: There is a letter in the file dated January 1, 1847 in which Representatives M. P. Gentry requested the Commissioner of pensions to forward the pension documents to him for review by Congress. Presumably, the pension application, if it still exists, is housed somewhere in the records of the United States Congress.]