Pension Application of William Casson (Cason) R1672
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Virginia: Buckingham County, to wit: Fuqua Casson on this 9th day of January 1841 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Fuqua Casson or Cason, one of the children of Sarah Casson, deceased, (late widow of William Casson deceased) a resident of Buckingham County and State of Virginia, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled “An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows.”

He declares that he is one of the children of Sarah Casson, deceased, late of the said County and State, who was the widow of William Casson, deceased, formerly a private in either the Continental or State service of Virginia, in the War of the Revolution. That his mother the said Sarah Casson, departed this life in the County of Buckingham, on the 30th day of November, 1840, aged about 84 years. That previous to her death, learning that Congress had passed an act providing for the widows of deceased soldiers of the Revolution, she and her family of children were endeavouring to obtain the necessary evidence in order to obtain a pension for her, in accordance with the provisions of said Act of Congress; but unfortunately for her said Sarah Casson, she died before the same could be accomplished.

He further declares, that he knows nothing personally of the services of his Father the said William Casson, in the War of the Revolution, but has always understood that he was in service a considerable length of time, and honestly believes that he was: he therefore relies on the Public Records of the Army, and the accompanying certificates of surviving soldiers, for proof of his services. He believes the said William Casson served altogether, something like two years.

He further declares, that he always understood from his mother that she and the said William Casson were married in Buckingham County, on the 14th day of October, 1782; that her husband the aforesaid William Casson, died on the [blank] day of March, 1816; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January, Seventeen hundred and ninety four: to wit, at the time above stated. Fuqua Casson X

Common Wealth of Virginia Dr. To Wm. Casson For his Rashons from the 28th of January 1777 To the 1th of Decemberb 1777 at 7d/½ [7½ pence] pr. Rashon/ £9.7s.6d
York County Set
Sworn to before me Feby 22 1778/ B. Dickson

The Common Wealth of Virginia Dr. To William Casson
Twenty Dollars of the Bounty money also Cash Sent to Jon. May. £1.3.9
March 1th 1778

NOTE: The file contains a copy of a bond signed in Buckingham County on 14 Oct 1782 by William Cason and Nixon Palmer for the marriage of Cason to “Salley Beasley (spinster).” Obediah Woodall stated that he helped make the coffin of William Cason, who died on court day, the second Monday of March 1816.