Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Avery R309 f12NC
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Original Claim

Declaration, in order to be placed on the Pension List, under the Act of the 18th of March 1818
State of North Carolina, District of Edenton County of Pasquotank

On this 7 day of February 1825, personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County of Pasquotank Robert Avery resident in said County aged sixty three years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of May 1820. That he the said Robert Avery enlisted for the term of three years in the year 1777 in the State of North Carolina in the Company commanded by Captain Isaac Moore, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Dauge in the line of the State of North Carolina, on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in said Corps until discharged at Charleston South Carolina, where owing to the situation of his parents they sent a man named Richard Mullen in his room, that he afterwards volunteered under Captain Miles Skinner, and obtained a regular discharge at North West Bridge in Virginia in the year 1779, that he was at the battle of Charleston South Carolina that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, except the present, that his name is not on the roll of any state; and that the following all the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension. That he as long as his Situation and health would permit him was desirous to support himself and family without the Assistance of Government, and that now being subject to severe and frequent Rheumatic pains he can no longer forbear to apply.

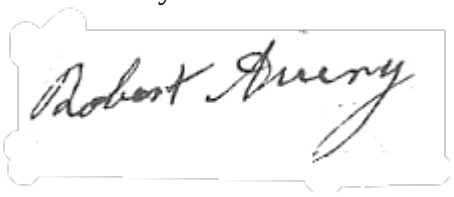
And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to 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 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed, That since the 18th of March 1818, the following changes have been made in my property

Description of property	Name of the purchaser	Time of Sale	Amount of money raised thereon
One Sorrel mare, 2	Joseph Banks	Sold February the	forty two dollars

red Yearlings, Sow & 9 pigs, 3 beds, 6 silver teaspoons, 1 safe, 1 lot crockery, 1 pine chest, 1 lot iron wire, 1 large chest, 1 lot of chairs, 2 linning [linen?] [&] 1 quilt wheel 1 Loom & harness		22nd 1819 by John Loury Constable, under an execution in favor of Joseph banks against Robert Avery	

My property now consists of half dozen chairs valued at $7.50 one Dutch oven valued at $2.25, and one sow & pigs valued at $5 making in the whole the sum of $14.75. My family consists of a wife and the following children, John aged sixteen, James aged twelve years, Joe aged seven years, Eliza aged five years, Elizabeth aged three years, and my wife is now pregnant, my profession is a shoemaker. I am much and often subject to rheumatic pains.

Robert Avery



Raleigh 27th April 1825

Sir

The name of Robert Avery does not appear on the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, neither does the name of Peter Dauge as a Colonel in said line.

In the year 1792, Peter Dauge drew a Warrant from this Office for two and a half years service as Lt. Colo. in the said line, at which time such warrants were issued on the certificates of Officers, and no recourse was had to the musterrolls by the Secretary.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Wm Hill

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