Pension Application of Nicholas Manuel: R6887
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North Carolina}
Sampson County}

on this the 11th day of November 1845 came before the undersigned one
of the acting Justices of the peace and a member of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the
said County of Sampson, Milly Manuel a resident of the aforesaid County & State 88 years Eighty
eight years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on her oath make the following
Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the 4th July 1836. for
the benefit of certain Widows

that she is the widow of Nicholas Manuel Dec’d of the said County who was a Draughted
soldier in the war of the Revolution as follows one (18) Eighteen months Tour one (90 nine
months Tour and one Three months Tour. in all her husband the said Nicholas Manuel served
Two years and a half faithfully as she has heard him say

That her husband the said Nicholas Manuel was under the command of Captain Kinion
Hubbert and others - and was in the battle of Brier Creek [Briar Creek GA, 3 Mar 1779] and was
in the seage of Charleston [Siege of Charleston SC, 29 Mar - 12 May 1780] as she has often heard
him say.

That she has caused diligent search to be made for her husbands discharge which she
has a very perfect recollection of having seen, particularly a printed one.

That her husband the said Nicholas Manuel lived in N.C. when he was called into the
service

That she cannot now tell the date of her marriage to the said Nicholas Manuel but that he
the said Nicholas Manuel served both before and after the marriage

That she was married to the said Nicholas Manuel before Gen. Wallis was taken [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781]. that her first child to wit: Sheadrack was born on the day that Wallis
was made prisoner

That she was married in Duplin Co. N.C. by Fleet Cooper Esqr.

That her husband the said Nicholas Manuel died on the 27th day of March (1835)
Eighteen hundred & thirty five

Milly her Xmark Manuel

NOTE: On 30 Mar 1855 Shadrack Manuel, heir to Nicholas Manuel, assigned power of attorney to
pursue any pension due for his father’s service. In the 1830 federal census for Sampson County
NC Nicholas Manuel is recorded as a “Free Colored Person.”