Andrew Parks Applicant

In the course of my Investigation in Monongalia I met with this Old Gentlemen, who informed me that John Brookover some time last January had written his Declaration for a Pension, and that he had sworn to the Declaration before Wm Thomas [William Thomas] of Monongalia and had proved his services by George Whetzell1 – from a minute and critical examination of the old Gentlemen, I satisfied myself beyond all question that he never done one hours service in the revolutionary war – he is a harty [hardy or hearty] Robust man – and yet it seems that he made his Declaration in the County before a single Magistrate – his witness "George Whetzell" is an applicant and an imposter.

S/ W. G. Singleton

Nov. 30, 1834

[Note: The original application is missing from the folder, probably having been removed by District Attorney Washington G. Singleton for his investigation of pension applications from Monongalia, Harrison, Lewis and other counties in present West Virginia. For details see pension application of David W. Sleeth S6111, wherein C. Leon Harris sets forth his excellent research into the fraud investigation carried out by Singleton, who investigated over 340 cases of alleged pension fraud.]

1 George Whetsel (Wetzell) R11492