Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Russell (Russel) R9097 Ann f55VA
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State of Virginia Loudon [Loudoun] County to wit

On 1st this day of June 1854 Personally appeared before me John Price a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Loudon and State of Virginia Ann Russell, who was Ann Heath as described in a certificate of marriage license hereto annexed aged 73 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed on the 3rd of February 1853 granting Pensions to widows of Persons who served during the Revolutionary War that she is the widow of James Russell deceased who was a Sergeant in the Continental line of the Revolutionary Army that marched from the City of Richmond Virginia as well appear by the documents herewith annexed. She further declares that she was married to the said James Russell on the 27th day of June 1803 and that her husband died December 12th 1830, that she was not married to him prior to the 2nd of January 1800 but at the time above stated. She further declares that she now is, and has continued the widow of James Russell –

S/ Ann Russell, X her mark

The State of Ohio Champaign County SS

Before me James Russell a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared James Russell, son of said James Russell, aged sixty years of the County aforesaid, who being duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith, that he was present at the marriage of James Russell, late of Loudoun County Virginia, deceased, and Ann Heath, who now resides in said Loudoun County Virginia, who was his second wife; which marriage was solemnized about the month of June A.D. 1803; that the said James Russell and Ann his wife, lived together as husband and wife, and were reputed as such up to the time of the death of said James Russell, some twenty-five years ago, and the said James Russell has heard his father James Russell say, that he served in the revolutionary war, about and South of Richmond Virginia and had to retreat for several days and nights together before the Army of Cornwallis, that he was in or about Richmond at the time the British took possession of Manchester, at which time, they had a considerable cannonading, names of officers not recollected except the Ensign whose name was Josiah White, and some of the privates names were John Quick, John Clice and John Myers, and that the Marquis Lafayette was a general officer of that Army.

S/ James Russell

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of March A.D. 1854 and I certify that the said James Russell is a disinterested and credible person.
S/ James Russell, JP

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The State of Ohio Champaign County SS

Before me James Russell a Justice of the peace within and for said County, personally appeared James Heath of said County aged seventy-seven years, who being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he was present at the marriage of James Russell, late of Loudoun County Virginia deceased, and Ann Heath, who now resides in said album County Virginia, who is a sister of the said James Heath and which marriage was solemnized about the month of June A.D. 1803, which was the second marriage of said James Russell, that the said James Russell and Ann his wife lived together as husband and wife, and were reputed as such up to the time of the death of said James Russell some twenty-five years ago.
S/ James Heath

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 8th day of March A.D. 1854, and I certify that the said James Heath is a disinterested and credible man.
S/ James Russell, JP

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State of Virginia County of Jefferson: Sct. Clerk's Office of the County Court May 29th 1854

I, Thomas A Moore, Clerk of the County Court of said County, certify that it appears from the Records of the said office that a License was issued on the 24th day of June 1803 for the marriage of James Russell and Ann Heath.

Given under my hand & the seal of the said court this 29th day of May 1854
S/ T. A. Moore, Clk.

[f p. 13: articles of agreement dated February 1, 1776 between John Bowman and Edr. Galahaun for share cropping a plantation in Loudoun County Virginia. Why this document is in this file I do not know.]

[f p. 18]
This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the 26th day of June 1783 in the name of James Russell as Sol. Inf. [soldier of Infantry] and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £19.13.6,delivered to Captain Pickett but as the original settlements or copies thereof or not to be found in this office, the term of service embraced therein cannot be stated.

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 26 day of February, 1857.
S/ G. W. Clutter
This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the 1st day of November 1783 in the name of James Russell as Sergt. of Arty [Sergeant of Artillery] and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £93.8.10, delivered to Richard Booker but as the original settlements or copies thereof or not to be found in this office, the term of service embraced therein cannot be stated.

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 22nd day of March 1854.

S/ G. W. Clutter

[No Seal of Office]

Auditor of Public Accounts