Pension Application of Henry Frank S10700

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Virginia Sc. I Hugh Holmes a Judge of the General court of the state aforesaid and residing in Winchester do hereby certify that Henry Frank of Jefferson County in said state personaly appeared before me and declared on oath that he was a soldier in the army of the united states during the Revolutionary War that he enlisted the first of November 1778 for three years and served that period in the Company of Capt’n Bartholomew Von Heer Light Dragoons continental line generally employed as life guard to Gen'l Washington & other General Officers and was discharged honorably by Capt’n Von Heer 20th Octo 1781 at Camp York as will appear by the discharge enclosed and has offered the affidavit of Conrad Creamer who served in the same corps also enclosed from which declaration & testimony I am satisfied that the said Henry Frank did serve as aforesaid during the Revolutionary War against the common Enemy and further that he is in needy circumstances. Certified under my hand this 3rd day of April 1818 and the seal of Fredk County

Henry Frank Dragoon having been inlisted the first November 1778 for three years under my Troop of Light Dragoons has behaved him during his period as a good & faithfull Soldier;

As his Time is expired the first Day of November 1781 & not willing to serve any longer under my Troop

He is hereby dismissed & recommended by his good Behaviour to all militairy civil & other persons to forward him on every Occasion

Signed under my own Hand

Camp York on York River this 20 Day of October 1781

Capt. of Light Dragoons

Virginia Frederick County to Wit

Personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Conrad Kremer and Made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that Henry frank a private in Capt. Bartholomew Van Heer’s Troop inlisted in the said Troop at Fredericksburg in the State of New York in the year 1778 for three years

Sworn to to before me this 2d Day of April 1818. John Bell

Jefferson County Va Sct.

On this 24th day of July 1825 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for said County, Henry Frank aged sixty three years, resident in said County, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows – that he enlisted in the State of New York in the year 1778 and served three years (as will fully appear by his discharge filed with his declaration for a pension about the 13th Ap’l 1818) and was in the battle of stoney point [sic: Stony Point NY, 16 Jul 1779] and seige of York [Yorktown VA, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. And 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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. And that I am unable to
maintain and support myself by labour and that my profession is that of saddle tree-making, and having no family residing with me and I have received a pension by virtue of a certificate No. 11.249. Schedule 1 small house & lot in the Town of Smithfield incumbered by a deed of Trust to secure the payment of sixty three dollars due Daniel Fry. 4 old chairs, 1 old table, 2 iron pots, 1 dutch oven, 2 old saws, 2 drawing knives, 1 pr old tongs, 1 old chest, 1 hatchet, 1 axe, 1 adz, 1 Trow, 1 old stove, cracked, 1 spade, 1 hoe.

NOTE: A document in the file states that Henry Frank died on 12 Feb 1831.