I hereby certify that it appears by the records in this office, that Joseph Ligon a private in the Virginia line of the late revolutionary army was placed on the pension list of the United States, by an act of Congress bearing date the 3rd day of March 1807, at the rate of Three Dollars per month to commence on the 18th day of January 1807.

Given under my and the seal of the War Office this 17th day of December 1807.

[Henry Dearborn]

Increase of Pension

It is hereby Certified that Joseph Ligon formerly a private of Captain John Thompsons Company in the Regiment of Colo. Nathaniel Cocke [pension application R13415] of Halifax County Virginia, who, it appears by the annexed and accompanying Certificate, signed H Dearbourn & dated 7th December 1807, with the seal of the United States war office was placed on the pension roll at the rate of three dollars per month which was afterwards in the year 1814 increased to the sum of four dollars & eighty cents per month as he states, on account of having received a total disability of the right arm by reason of a ball passing through the Joint of the right shoulder while in the line of his duty and in the service of the United States on or about the 15th day of March of the year 1781. at a place called Guilford Courthouse & in the battle of Guilford Courthouse in the Revolutionary War in the State of North Carolina – is not only still disabled in consequence of the said injury but in our opinion, is entitled to three dollars & twenty cents more than the $4.80 he now receives. That, he is entitled to the full pay of a private soldier as pensioner, Being disabled to a degree amounting to a total disability of his right arm which must have so continued from the time the wound was received and will continue so long as the said Joseph Ligon shall live. The socket in the Joint uniting the arm with the shoulder having been destroyed by reason of said wound so to as destroy and disable said arm for any purpose of labour entirely

[signed] Lewis W King  Surgeon
[signed] Walter H. Drane  Surgeon

State of Tennesse }
Montgomery County } This [blank] day of January 1833 personally appeared before me
Frederick W Huling a justice of the peace for said County the above subscribers Lewis W King  Walter H Drane Surgeons and made oath in due form of law that the facts contained in their above certificate after an examination of the before named Joseph Ligon his arm, and the wound, are true. – I also here certify that I am & have been for years well acquainted with the said Lewis W King & Walter H Drane Practising Physicians & surgeons in said County That they are reputed and highly respectable & skillful in their profession as such, I further certify that there is no Army Surgeon stationed within thirty miles of where said Ligon resides as I believe

Witness my hand this 25th day of January 1833   [signed] F. H. Huling J.P.

Increase of Pension

It is hereby Certified that Joseph Ligon formerly a private in Capt. Jno. Thompkins’ [John Thompkins’s] Company in the Regiment of Colo. Nath’l. Cocke in the Brigade of Gen’l. Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] who it appears by the accompanying certificate was placed on the pension roll at the rate of three dollars pr month under an act of Congress bearing date the 3rd of March 1807, on account as he states of having received a wound which produced a partial disability, estimated as he believes by the
department as one third disability while in the line of his duty and in the said service on or about the 15th March 1781 at a place called Guilford Court-house in the State of North Carolina by a musket ball passing through the shoulder joint of the right shoulder – that s'd Joseph Legan is not only still disabled in consequence of the said injury but in our opinion is entitled to full pay as an invalied pensioner being disabled to a degree amounting to the actual loss of the use of his said arm and that he ought in our opinion to have been originally placed on the invalid pension roll for a total rather than partial disability. 14th Oct’r 1833 [signed] J. C. Boyd [signed] W. H. Drane M.D.