Pension application of John Broadaway S39218
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The State of Tennessee County of Wayne: SS
On this fourth day of May 1829 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Wayne in the State of Tennessee Holden in the County of Wayne, John Broadaway resident in Wayne County and State of Tennessee aged sixty-nine years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820. That he the said John Broadaway, enlisted for the term of sixteen months on the 1st day of February, in the year 1776, in the State of South Carolina, in the company commanded by Captain John Caldwell, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Thompson [sic, William Thomson], in the line of the State of South Carolina, in the Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in said corps until the 1st day of June 1777 when he was discharged from the Service in the State of South Carolina. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is not on the rolls of any State, and that the following all the reasons for not making earlier application for a Pension that he did several years ago make application to the Pension agent in Nashville in the State of Tennessee for information so as to enable him to place himself upon the Pension roll of the act State, and was informed by Stephen Cantrell the Pension Aged that unless he could make oath that he was not able to support himself without the assistance of his Country he could not be entitled to a pension; and as he could not at that time take such an oath, being extremely indigent, but still being able to support himself, he was at that time and has been since, nearly up to the present time prevented by this circumstance from making the application; but that his Indigence and bodily infirmities are now such as no longer to prevent him from taking the oath. And, in pursuance of the act of the 1st of May 1820, 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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, that sense the
18th of March 1818 and has been no change in his property not having at that time, or at any time since more than a small stock such as is contained in his Schedule.

Witness S/ Sam Savage  S/ John Broadaway, X his mark

Sworn to and delivered on the fourth May 1829

The following is a true and perfect Schedule of all the property (except my bedding) at present belonging to me John Broadaway exhibited for the purpose of being placed upon the pension Roll of the United States

56 acres of land purchased of John Coffee on the first of June 1828 at two dollars & $.50 per acre, payable in one, two & three years from the date of Purchase only $75 of which has been paid and the land stands pledged as security for the balance

2 Horses both worth about $50
13 Head of cattle worth about $50
50 head of hogs big & little worth about $25
1 Cupboard worth about $10
1 small plantation wagon worth about $25
2 Ploughs worth about five dollars
2 Weeding hoes, 2 augurs, 1 Mattock, 1 Grubbing hoe, 2 axes & one Hand Saw worth about five dollars

I, John Broadaway have no trade, and have always lived by farming but am now unable to labor from age & bodily infirmity, my Family consists of myself, and my wife (aged sixty-nine years) and an orphan girl named Lucy Hill aged Fifteen years. We have two sons both of age who live with me a part of their time and assist me on account of my natural afflictions.

Witness S/ Samuel Savage  S/ John Broadaway, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing May 4, 1829, for service in the South Carolina Continental line as a private from February 1, 1776 to June 1, 1777.]