Pension Application of Joseph Newman S46546 VA

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of an act entitled “An act for the relief of certain officers and soldiers of then army of the revolution, approved on the 15th of May 1828, I Joseph Newman of the County of Rutherford in the State of Tennessee, do hereby declare, that I enlisted in the Tenth Regiment of the Virginia Line in Capt. Cluff Sheltons [sic: Clough Shelton BLWt740-300] Company in the year 1776 and engaged to serve for three years; at the end of that term I reenlisted in the year 1778 under the same Captain in the same Regiment of the Virginia Line, of the Continental army, and engaged to serve during the war, which I did, and was discharged at the close of the war at Richmond in Virginia. And I do also declare that I afterwards received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, to which I was entitled, under the resolve of Congress passed on the 15th May 1778. I further declare that at the close of the war I was in the Third Regiment of the Virginia Line, under the same Captain and that the Regiment was then commanded by Col. Posey [Thomas Posey BLWt1733-450]. And I do further declare, that I was not on the 15th of May 1828, or at any other time, on the Pension List of the United States.

Witness my hand this 9th of October 1828. Joseph hisXmark Newman

Before me John Fletcher a justice of the peace in the county of Rutherford in the State of Tennessee, personally appeared John Newman [S1299] of the said county and made oath, that he is the brother of the said Joseph Newman, by whom the foregoing declaration was subscribed and that he the said Joseph enlisted in the Army of the revolution in the year 1776 for three years, and this deponent understood and believes that the said Joseph reenlisted to serve during the war, in the year 1778, and this deponent knows that the said Joseph continued in the army until the close of the war, and that during part of the time he was in Capt. Cluff Sheltons Company. This deponent does not remember the Regiment to which the said Joseph belonged, but he knows that he belonged to the Virginia Line. This deponent was himself in the Georgia Line of the Continental Army, but was on service in a different part of the continent, during most of the term served by the said Joseph Subscribed & sworn to before me this 9th October 1828 John hisXmark Newman

I do Certify that Joseph Newman inlisted in the Virginia Continental Line for the war and faithfully Served the time. Clo. Shelton Cap
6 V. Reg’t
Feb’y 2nd 1784

NOTE: On 27 Oct 1828 William Knight, about 70, stated that he lived in Amherst County VA in 1776 and knew Joseph Newman.