State of Kentucky  Madison County  Sct.

On this 1st day of Octo’r 1832, personally appeared before the County Court of Madison County, Robert Covington a resident in the County and State aforesaid, aged Seventy years (last January) who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his Oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 6th [sic: 7th] 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States on the [blank] day of Feb’y 1779 with Captain John Roberts (who was subsequently promoted to a Major) and served in the [blank] Regiment of the Virginia line, under the following named Officers, to wit: Colo. Francis Taylor, Major John Roberts, Adjutant James Burton Capt. James Purvis, Lieut. John Slaughter, and Ensign Wm. Slaughter [William Slaughter] – that he resided at the time of his enlistment in the County of Culpeper in the State of Virginia and was stationed at the Albemarle Barracks, near Charlottsville [sic: Charlottesville] Virginia, and was principally employed in guarding the prisoners captured with Burgoyne [at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777 and kept at Albemarle Barracks Jan 1779 - Feb 1781], and was discharged on the [blank] day of [blank] 1781 having been in the service something upwards of two years. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency in any state.

Sworn and subscribed to the day and year aforesaid.  Robert hisXmark Covington

[Joel Hickman (pension application S13391) certified that he had served with Covington.]

NOTE:

On 22 March 1853 Amy Covington, 70, applied for a pension stating that as Amy Buirke she married Robert Covington in Madison County in 1843, and he died in Madison County on 10 August 1847. The file includes a copy of a bond signed on 27 Feb 1843 by Robert Covington and Thomas G. Lamb for the marriage of Covington to Miss Amy Burk. John Buirke, 64, of Madison County, stated that he had witnessed the marriage of Robert and Amy Covington in May 1843 and had known Amy Covington for the previous 40 years.

A letter dated 21 March 1855 states that Amy Covington “is now laying on her bed with a cancer on her Brest and but little chance or non to recover.”