

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Robert Henwood W934

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District of Washington SS. State of Tennessee Washington County

On this eighth day of April, 1832, personally appeared, in open court, being a court of record for the said county, Robert Hennard aged eighty two years, resident in Sullivan County in said district, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: towit in the year 1781 as well as now recollected he at Montgomery County State of Maryland enlisted into the continental service in the Revolutionary war for three years, or during the war into [Charles] Armand's Legion of continental troops, having been Pulaskies [sic: Kazimierz Pulaski's] old regiment. that he served faithfully until the close of the war which was in 1783 and was honourably discharged by s'd General Armand, which discharge is now filed in the office of the United States, he having about four years ago gotten his land claim & left it at that time in the proper office of the U States 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.

Towit he purchased one hundred acres of Land barren & sterile which land was vacant and has been subsequently entailed & well be [illegible word] taken from him which if enjoyed by him is unimproved (except small cabin) and in the whole would be worth not more than one hundred dollars

one two year old colt worth	\$100
2 yearlin calves	25
1 old bed & cloathing	10
some little earthen ware 12 pcls[?] worth [?]	<u>4</u>
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he has a wife near as ancient as himself towit upwards of Eighty and three children two females & one male which are nearly of age and will shortly leave him & himself & wife are both so superannuated that they are unable to work

Robert hisXmark Hennard

THIS is to certify that Robert henwood private Dragoon in the First Partisan Legion, under my Command, has served faithfully & bravely to this Day, is hereby discharged from the Service of the United States, in Pursuance of Orders received from the Commander in Chief, bearing Date the third instant.

I farther certify that Robert henwood private Dragoon having been enlisted in the State of Mareland is intituled by the Resolution of Congress, of the 13th February, 1779, to the Benefits that have been, or hereafter shall be, granted by the said State to the Noncommissioned Officers and Soldiers of the said Line.

Given under my Hand and Seal at York Town [Yorktown VA], this November, 1783.

[illegible signature] Brigadier General.

Entered in the Books of the Legion.

Attest.

[signed] Godfried Swartz

Adjutant of the Legion.

State of Tennessee } May 24<sup>th</sup> 1823

Washington County }

then personally appeared before me an acting Justice of the peace for said County the subscriber

John Rock [application W985], & Henry Tarrant [W998] both of whom are now on the list of indigent pensioners, and made Oath that they and each of them were intimately acquainted with Robert Hennard, who was a private in the continental line of Troops in the Revolutionary war in Armands Legion, (being Pulaskees old Regiment that said Henwood was in Captain Brouns (otherwise L Brouns) [probably Francis Le Brun's] company, and Henry Tarrant one of subscribers in Captain Brefoes [probably Brevard's] company - and John Rock in Cap'n Bedkinses [possibly Betkins's] Company, all of said Regiment, that they severally saw, and well know the said Robert Hennard now present in said Regt & company and continued in service with him, untill the close of the war, and positively state that they knew him to have been in service more than nine months immediately preceeding his discharge, from their first acquaintance with him, but how long he may have served before their acquaintance they cannot precisely say.

Henry Tarrant also states that he was in the City of Washington with Robert Hennard in December 1817 when he saw said Hennard file his discharge with N Cutting in the office at the time of obtaining his bounty land, where as he believes the same now remains that said Robert was honorably discharged

Henry Tarrant                      John hisXmark Rock

NOTE: On 19 Dec 1843 Rebecca Henwood, 76, applied for a pension stating that she married Robert Henwood on 16 Feb 1785, and he died 6 Apr 1828. In a document dated 21 Sep 1844 she stated that Robert Henwood was survived by the following children: James Henwood, Elijah Henwood, Robert Henwood Jr., Rutha Henwood, Scilla Tussa, and Nancy Lang. The file contains the following document: "This is to Certify that the Bearer Robert Henwood and Rebecca Miles Both of Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County Commenwealth of Virginia was Lawfull married the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of february Anno Domini 1785 by me                      Joseph De Sardorius, Minister of the gospel" in the presence of