Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of John Richardson S46507 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Virginia } SS Loudoun County }

On this 10th day of March 1829 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of record for said County John Richardson resident in said County aged sixty four 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 Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and 1st May 1820 that he the said Richardson enlisted in July or August for the term of three years or during the war in the year 1778 (he thinks) in the State of Maryland in the Company commanded by Captain John Rudolph in the legion or Corps commanded by Major afterwards Col. Henry Lee in the Continental line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps untill the latter part of the year 1781 when he was discharged from the service during inability in consequence of wounds received at the Battle at the Eteau Springs in the State of South Carolina [sic: Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That his name is not on the pension roll of any state and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension to wit, my children being with me assisted in my support and would not consent to my making an application (perhaps through pride) they have now left me and I am not even a house keeper I am not worth twenty dollars after my just debts are paid and have always been a poor man all my life and in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident 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 me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed — That since the 18th March 1818 little or no changes have been made in my property always having been a poor man all my life long as before stated. Schedule of the property of the aforesaid Richardson viz

One mare Colt and One feather Bed [signed] John Richardson