

Pension Application for Squire Baker

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To the honorable J. C. Calhoun Secretary at War.

The Declaration and petition of Squir[e] Baker humbly represents.

That he served the United States as a soldier in the Massachusetts Continental line during the revolutionary war that before the battle of Bunker hill he enlisted for eight months and served during eight months and then he enlisted for three years in the Massachusetts continental line in Capt Matthew Chambers company (in the sixth Regiment as he believes) commanded by Col. Thomas Nixon, and in the brigade commanded by Genl Benjamin Nixon, and served the United States continually as a soldier in said company during said three years and was then discharged by Lieut Col Thompson of the above Regiment which discharge is lost by time & accident that he afterwards engaged with & served the United States as an artificer at Fish Kill in the State of New York under the direction of Genl John Redick he was in the battle of Bunkers hill he fought under Genl Gates two engagements between Saratoga and Stillwater and was then wounded slightly in the thigh & severely in his leg that after the termination of the revolutionary war he moved to Kentucky and from Kentucky he moved to the State of Tennessee and has resided in the State of Tennessee in Stewart County near the town of Dover for eight years.

That he knows of no person who can prove his being a soldier in the revolutionary war.

That he is now ninety three years of age and was a soldier with Genl Wolfe when he took Quebec.

That he is in reduced circumstances, has no property and for more than two years has been unable to get his living by his labour and stands in need of the assistance of his country, he never has received any pension from the United States nor from any of the States and he hereby releases all claim there to and prays the benefit of the act of the Congress of the United States passed at their last session. (Signed with his mark)
Squir Baker

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 28th day of Sept 1818. Thomas Stuart,
one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts for the State of Tennessee. Stewart County.