

Pension Application for John Lawson

W.370 (Widow: Frances)

State of Tennessee

Smith County SS

On this 8 day of August 1832 Personaly [Personally] appeared in open court before John Chambers Solomon Debon, Alden C. Gansvort the court of pleas and quarter sessions for Smith County now sitting John Lawson a resident of Smith County, in the State of Tennessee aged seventy two years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers and served as herein stated.

That he enlisted in Queen County in the state of Virginia in the year 1777 under Philip Talifero Capt in the same state regiment commanded by Col Charles Dabney for three years his place of residence at the time was [Graham?] County in the State of Virginia adjoining the one in which he enlisted marched with the company to Williamsburg where he joined the regiment from there his company was sent to Hampton and then back through Little York to Williamsburg there joined Col. Harrison's Regiment of Artillery and marched to Valley Forge at the North from there he marched with his same company to the Battle of Monmouth which engagement he was in and afterwards was in the Battle of Stoney Point after which he marched back with same regiment to Fredericksburg Virginia where the officers furloughed the men untill the May following when they were to meet again at Richmond and a=get their discharge. Accordingly he appeared at Richmond on May 1780 and got his discharge.

This discharge he afterwards sent by a neighbor to Richmond to get his said warrant and when he got the same warrant he was told that the officers kept the discharge as part of their proof for serving the warrant.

Since then he has not seen it.

He was born in Glouster county Virginia after the war left Virginia & moved to Tennessee and for the last twenty six years he has resided in Smith County in said State.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an anuity [annuity] except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any state. That he knows of no person and bearing him out in all he has stated.

(Signed with his mark) John Lawson

Sworn to and subscribed. Name not legible