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Pension Application of Francis Connell R2223

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State of South Carolina }

Lancaster District }

On this 29 day of Octr Anno Domini 1838 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions, now sitting, Francis Connell a resident of South Carolina in the District of Lancaster, aged seventy six years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an Act of Congress passed June 7 1832. That he entered the service of the united states under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he was drafted in Lunenburg County State of Virginia about twelve months before peace was declared [sic] and served six months in the militia under Capt Garland Major Garland & Genl [Robert] Lawson, the names of the other officers not recolected – he continued under these officers untill they arrived at Willis Mountain in Virginia there he Volunteered in a Rifle Company Commanded by Capt Crawford under Major Duvall [sic: Samuel Duval] & Generals [Anthony] Wayne & Lunenburg [sic: probably Peter Muhlenberg] and marched in said Volunteer Company down through Richmond in Virginia to Old James Town was there in the Battle of Old Jamestown [Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] after which he was marched to Little York in Virginia where he continued in service untill peace was made [sic: Surrender of Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781], say six months making in all twelve months service when he was drafted he resided in the State of Virginia in Lunenburg County. That he has no documentary evedence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service, he hereby relinqu[ishes] every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

[signed] Francis Connell

NOTES:

The claim of Francis Connell was denied for lack of adequate proof of his service.

A letter in the file refers to the applicant as Francis P. Connell (probably the "Frank pace Connell" in the family record below), who died in 1843.

On 5 Jan 1852 Jefferson R. Connell assigned power of attorney to obtain benefits for the service of his father, Francis Connell. As evidence he submitted an original family record, a copy of which is in the file and is transcribed below.

William Connell was born the 29th day of April, in the year of our Lord 1759.

Mary Connell was born the 21st day of February in the year of our Lord 1761.

Frank pace Connell was born the 13th day of October, in the year of our Lord 1762.

Elizabeth Connell was born the 1st day of November, in the year of our Lord 1764.

Robert Connell was born the 20th day of August, in the year of our Lord 1766.

John Connell was born the 1st day of December, in the year of our Lord 1768.

Waller Connell was born the 3^d day of July, in the year of our Lord 1771.

Lueresy Connell was born the 5th day of June, in the year of our Lord 1773.

James Connell was born the 18th day of September, in the year of our Lord 1775.

Stephen Connell was born the 11th day of December, in the year of our Lord 1777.

Sarah Connell was born the 11th day of January, in the year of our Lord 1780.

Millah Connell was born the 22^d January, in the year of our Lord 1782.