Application
Mack Smith
for Pension
Feb 8 Jany 23 1875
Steph H. Darden
Comptroller

The proof accompanying the within application is sufficient to entitle the applicant to pension unless the law is inapplicable to him for the reason that he was a slave at the time the service was performed.

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Atty Gen Office
June 5. 1875

Respectfully returned to Hon. S. H. Darden, Comptroller - If the proof is satisfactory that the applicant did service as a soldier in the Revolution, and participated as a soldier in any of the battles fought for independence, I do not consider the fact of his being a slave at the time, as standing in the way of his receiving his pension - He is certainly a "survivor" and at the time the bounty of the State was put into operation, he was as capable of taking, as any other citizen. The Statute makes no discrimination as to "race, color, or previous condition"

Geo Clark
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