

WAR OF 1812.

DECLARATION OF A WIDOW FOR PENSION.

State of Maryland

City of Baltimore } ss.

On this 28th day of March, A. D. eighteen hundred and seventy One, personally appeared before me, Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court, a Court of Record in and for the City and State aforesaid, Margaret Cook, aged 86 years, a resident of No. 66 Front St. of Baltimore City, State of Maryland, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of George Cook, who served the full period of sixty days in the (1) Military service of the United States in the War of 1812, and who was the identical Geo. Cook who was killed in Captain John Shrimms' Company, of the 1st Calfe, light infantry Regt, Md. Militia under Col. J. J. Stretcher, Division, at ... on the ... day of ... 181, and was honorably discharged at ...

the Claimant obtained a Military Land Warrant through the Hon. John Simonson or Capt. John Simonson

that she was married under the name of Margaret or Peggy Shrimms to said Geo. Cook on the 20th day of September, A.D. 1800, by Rev. Carson Baker, at Baltimore, Md. there being no legal barrier to such marriage; that her said husband died at Baltimore City, Md. on the 1st day of July, 1812, and that she has not remarried since his death; that at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States did she or her said husband adhere to the cause of the enemies of the Government, giving them aid or comfort, or exercised the functions of any office whatever under any authority, or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States; that she will support the Constitution of the United States; that she is not in receipt of a pension under any previous act; that she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension rolls of the United States, under the provisions of the act approved February 14, 1871, and hereby constitutes and appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Hon. Col. Wm. H. L. Garrison of Baltimore, Md., her true and lawful attorney to prosecute her claim, and obtain the pension certificate that may be issued; that her post office is at Baltimore, Md. State of Maryland; that her domicile or place of abode is No. 66 Front

Also personally appeared George M. Newberry and Mary Ann Newberry
Newberry, residing at N. 66 N. Street
in Baltimore City, and at Same Place
in, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who
being by me duly sworn, say: They were present and saw Margaret Cook, the claimant,
sign her name, (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of
said claimant, and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and at no time during
the late rebellion against the authority of the United States did she, or her said husband, adhere to the cause of the enemies of
the Government, or give them aid or comfort; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

George M. Newberry
Mary Ann Newberry
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of March,
A. D. 1877, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the appli-
cant and witnesses before swearing, including the words erased, and the words
..... added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution
of this claim.

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W. B. Gaithers deputy
Clerk Superior Court of
Balt. City



WAR OF 1812.
Declaration of a Widow for Pension.

CLAIM OF
Mrs. Margaret Cook
Widow of George Cook
of Baltimore Co. Balt. City
By: Wm. Colton, Clerk
By: J. W. Smith, Secy.

FILED BY
WILLIAM COLTON,
ROOM, No. 11 Law Buildings, St. Paul st.,
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BALTIMORE, MD.
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NUMBERS	SOLDIER	COOK, George
T. O. 1128		
	BOUNTY LAND	102864 - 40 - 50
V. C. 524	WIDOW	COOK, Margaret
		63214 - 120 - 55
	SERVICE	Pvt., Capt. J. Shrin's Co., Md. Mil.
	ENLISTED	Aug. 19, 1814
	DISCHARGED	Nov. 18, 1814
RESIDENCE OF SOLDIER	REMARKS	
RESIDENCE OF WIDOW	1855, 1871, Baltimore, Md.	
MAIDEN NAME OF WIDOW	Margaret (Peggy) Shrin or Schrein	
MARRIAGE OF SOLDIER AND WIDOW	Sept. 23, 1806, Baltimore, Md.	
DEATH OF SOLDIER	July 31, 1853, Baltimore, Md.	
DEATH OF WIDOW		



ACT OF FEBRUARY 14, 1871.

WAR OF 1812.

Margaret Cook
Baltimore Md
widow of
George Cook
Capt John Shrim. Md Mil
Died 31 July 1852
Baltimore Md

Received Apr 7, 1871.
Wm Colton
#11 Law Building
Baltimore
Md Attorney.

No. 524.

WAR OF 1812.

WIDOWS' PENSION.

Maryland

Margaret Cook

widow of

George Cook

Rank

Company Capt. J. Shrimms

Regiment

md mil

Baltimore Agency.

Rate per month—Eight dollars.

Commencing February 14, 1871.

Certificate dated 13 Sept 1871;
and sent to Pension Agent.

Act 14th February, 1871.

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L. M. Kavanaugh Clerk.

State of Maryland, Baltimore City, Set:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That

Wm H Hayward
Esquire, before whom the annexed affidavit

was made, who has thereto subscribed his name, was, at the time so doing, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for City of Baltimore, duly commissioned and sworn.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, this *6th* day of *September* A. D. 187*1*.

S B Gaither
Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City.

Duplicate

This certifies that according to the
Records of the First German Reformed
Church of Baltimore, the Rite of Marriage
was solemnized by Rev. Dr. C. I. Becker
between George Cook & Rebecca Schrein
on the 23rd day of September 1806

Attest

Sept 5th 1871

E. K. Eschbach
Pastor 1st Ref. Ch.
Baltimore

Proven and subscribed before
me a Justice of the Peace
On this 6th day of September
1871 by Rev. E. K. Eschbach
W. B. Hayward P

Department of the Interior,
PENSION OFFICE,

Washington, D. C. *July 23rd, 1871.*

For
In the claim of *Margaret Cook*
for a widow's pension, under act of February 14, 1871, No. *128*,
proof of her marriage to the soldier prior to *February 17/18*,
is required. You are informed that proof upon this point is of value
in the following order:

1. A certified copy of a church or other public record.
2. An affidavit of the officiating clergyman or magistrate.
3. The testimony of two or more eye-witnesses of the ceremony.
4. The testimony of two or more witnesses who know the parties to have lived together as husband and wife from the date of their alleged marriage, the witnesses stating the period during which they know them thus to cohabit.

Before any of the lower classes of evidence can be accepted, it must be shown by competent testimony that none higher can be obtained.

Return this circular with the evidence.

Very respectfully,

J. H. Baker

Commissioner.

William Colton Esq.
Baltimore
md

Attn