Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to B. Cabassie VAS2839

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[The following are from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia. One document is illegible.]

Declaration of Mary Louisa Cabassie now aged seventy one years the widowed sister and only heir of B. Cabassie deceased who was a private in the Illinois Regt Commanded by Col Geo Rogers Clark during the Revolutionary war in order to obtain the bounty land due her said brother from s'd State of Virginia The undersigned Mary Louisa Cabassie the widowed Sister and only legitimate heir of B. Cabassie, would respectfully represent to His Excellency the Governor [one or two illegible words] that she has always heard & believes that her deceased brother B. Cabassie was a private in the Illinois regiment commanded by Col George Rogers Clark during the Revolutionary war – that he was [undeciphered word] at the conquest of Kaskaskia with Col. Clark [4 Jul 1778] – that he accompanied said Regt. to Post St Vincent in the year 1779 and aided in the reduction of the British garrison at said post [20 Jul 1778] – that he remained stationed at said post for many years in the service of the United States defending the Wabash and Illinois Countries – that the testimony she submits to your Excellency will doubtless give sufficient proof of the services of her [undeciphered word] brother B Cabassie and of her legitimate & sole heirship and she trusts that there will prove no barrier to her just claim as she has never heretofore been advised of the manner in which to proceed

Mary Louisa herXmark Cabassie

Subscribed & sworn to before me the 24th day of May 1845

James Thorne Polk PJKC

State of Indiana }
Knox County } Ss

Personally appeared before me James Thorne Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County Gabriel Uno dit Patoon [VAS2249] who is known to me to be a creditable witness who being duly sworn deposes and says that he is now eighty eight years of age and served in the Illinois Reg't Commanded by Col. George Rogers Clark during the Revolutionary war with the said B Cabassie the brother of Mary Louisa Cabassie who makes the foregoing declaration – that the said B. Cabassie came from Kentucky to Post St Vincent with Col. Clark as a private [one or two undeciphered words] and assisted in the reduction of the British garrison at said post – that he remained stationed at said post from the time of his [undeciphered word] in 1777 doing active service in defence of the Wabash and Illinois Countries more than Three years – that he was well acquainted with said B Cabassie and knows the claimant Mary Louisa Cabassie to be the only surving legitimate heir of the said deceased brother and is entitled to his bounty land if the same yet remains due Gabriel Uno hisXmark dit, Patoon

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 24th day of May 1845

James Thorne PJKC

State of Indiana }
Knox County } Ss

Personally appeared before me James Thorne Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County Francis Laviollete and Amable Arpa, old, respectable, and creditable native born citizens, who being sworn according to law do on their oaths [undeciphered word] that they have always heard from their fathers and other old Citizens and verily believe that B Cabassie dec'd came to Post St Vincent in the year 1777 under the Command of Col. George Rogers Clark as a private [one or two illegible words] Clark's regiment and served in said capacity at the reduction of the British garrison at said post – that he remained stationed at said post in the service of the United States for many years afterwards – that of their own knowledge they state Mary Louisa Cabassie the claimant who makes the foregoing declaration is the sister

and only legitimate heir of the said B Cabassie dec'd and is entitled to receive all that may be due to him in bounty lands or otherwise.

Francis hisXmark Laviollete
Subscribed & sworn to before me
Amable hisXmark Arpa
this 24th day of May 1845/ James Thorne PJKC