Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Joseph Campbell VAS2865 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

At a general Court [undeciphered word] and held for King & Queen County at the Courthouse on Tuesday the 2nd of March 1811

It appeared to the satisfaction of the court by credible testimony that James Campbell [VAS2864] and Joseph Campbell were privates in the Virginia Continental line in the Revolutionary war and that the said James and Joseph Campbell died intestate and without having been married, that they were the sons of William Campbell of King & Queen County that the said William Campbell survived his said sons and died about the year 1805 – that the said William Campbell died intestate [see endnote] [undeciphered word] his right to their claims to Land bounty and that the said William Campbells heirs are William Campbell [W4149], John Campbell, Wily Campbell, Hugh H. Campbell, Mary Campbell, Elizabeth Campbell, Lewis Campbell, Sarah Campbell and Fanny Campbell all children of the said William Campbell dec'd.

Teste/ Ro. Pollard C C.

King and Queen County Court October 14th 1811

It is ordered to be Certified to the Executive from satisfactory testimony of John Hoskins annd Moses Nunn [VAS2866] who made oath that in the year 1775 or 1776 Joseph Campbell inlisted in Capt'n Gregory Smith's Company in the 7th Virginia Continental Regiment for two years and from common report they believe the said Joseph Campbell died while he was in the army and that William Campbell the reported father with whom the said Moses Nunn was well acquainted survived the said Joseph and died about the year 1805.

Teste/ Thomas W. Todd D.C.C.

King and Queen County Court October 14th 1811

It is ordered to be Certified to the Executive from satisfactory testimony of John Hoskins annd Moses Nunn who made oath that in the year 1775 or 1776 William Campbell [W4149] inlisted in Capt'n Gregory Smith's Company in the 7th Virginia Continental Regiment that he acted as a Serjeant in the said Company and was promoted and left the said Company Teste/ Thomas W. Todd D.C.C.

Dear Sir

I inclose to you the certificates of Colo. John Hoskins & Moses Nunn shewing that William & Joseph Campbell were soldiers in the late Revolutionary army I think I shall be able to prove that they enlisted for three years and [illegible word] James Campbell also was a soldier & died at the battle of Savannah [probably siege of Savannah, 24 Sep - 19 Oct 1779] or during the war. your attention to the above will greatly oblige, your Obt. Hble. servt. Wily Campbell/ Nov'r 18th 1811

submitted and rejected there being no proof of that he enlisted for or served three years.

James P Preston [Gov. James Patton Preston]/ July 15th 1818

[The following is from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

Sir [James Barbour, Governor of Virginia] Orange 16th Jan'y 1812

I have reason to believe that my petition to Congress for the bounty lands of my two Brothers Dec'd comes under the act of limitation & that the petition will never be presented & if it should it will not be taken up by the Committee of claims: therefore I have written to Wily Campbell to procure testimony if posable of their entering into the Service of the United States for three years or during the

War. Joseph inlisted in 1775 for 3 years James for that term or during the war, & both died in the Service, the latter in Captivity, & several months pay due each. I presume it is not yet too late to lodge with the Executives pretentions for their bounty lands. you will do me the favour, if Wily Campbell should send testimony of such services to have it filed with other claims. Jno P. Campbell has broke his School for a wife, Viz't he expects in a few weeks to marry Miss Walker daughter of Maj'r [undeciphered] Walker, he requests [two undeciphered words] to mention if you have any business in this quarter in which he could officiate as your agent he would be glad to undertake as he is out of employ; your family, relatives & neighbours generally are well. I fear the wheat crop will be cut short by the very hard frosts particularly red mountain land. your fallow field on the road looks well With Much respect. I am Sir/ y'r Obd't Hble Sery't./ Wm. Campbell

NOTE: William Campbell, Sr., did apparently leave a last will and testament, a transcription of which is in *Virginia Colonial Abstracts*, Vol 1, p 170 by Beverley Fleet (Baltimore: Clearfield. 1988).