Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to George Nicholas VAS4069 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

To the Honorable, the Executive of Virginia,

The petition of Henry Clay respectfully represents, that George Nicholas formerly of this State, but who removed many years since to the State of Kentucky, was a Lieutenant Colonel in the Continental line of Virginia, during the war of the Revolution. That it appears from the report of John H. Smith esq. founded on an examination of the public documents, that the said George Nicholas was entitled to land bounty for three years service during the said Revolutionary war; to which report, your petitioner begs leave to refer, for a more particular statement of the services of said Nicholas; that the said Nicholas died many years ago, leaving a will, by which he vested his whole estate real & personal in Col. James Morrison [?] and Joseph H Daveiss his executors, of whom Morrison was the survivor, the said Morrison has since died, leaving a will, and your petitioner is his only acting executor, and in the character has become the executor of said Nicholas, and acquired the same interest in his estate real & personal, previously held by the said Morrison, the immediate executor of said Nicholas. That as the representative of said Nicholas in the manner above described, your petitioner conceives that he is entitled to receive (for the benefit of said Nicholas' estate) whatever land bounty the said Nicholas was entitled to, on account of his Revolutionary services aforesaid; and he therefore prays that the Executive would certify the claim of said Nicholas to the Register of the land office, and direct that officer to issue a warrant for so much bounty land as the said Nicholas was entitled to, for three years service, as a Lieut. Colonel in the Continental line of Virginia, during the Revolutionary war.

Henry Clay by R. C. Nicholas his Atty.

March 26, 1834 Land bounty is allowed the heirs of George Nicholas a Lieut. Colonel, for a service of three years. J.F. [Gov. John Floyd]

NOTE: Henry Clay was a U.S. Senator and noted statesman.