Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Bounty Land Claim of Nicholas Rickets (Ricketts) BLWt1124-200 MD [VA] Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Maryland, Anne Arundel County Sc.

I Elizabeth Rebecca Worthington heiress at law of Nicholas Rickets deceased do upon Oath testify and declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that the said Nicholas Rickets was a Lieutenant in the Maryland line in the army of the Revolution and that he served as such until the close of said War, and I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty Land promised the said Nicholas Rickets on the part of the United States nor do I believe that he ever received it or transfered his claim to it in any manner whatsoever. [Power of attorney to Henry Northrup follows.]

[signed 23 May 1825] Elizabeth R. Worthington

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

I Certify that I was well acquainted with Nicholas Rickets then a Lieutenant in the 1st Regiment of Artilery in the Virginia Continental line of the Revolutionary war (and having served in that war myself to the end of it) I know that the Company to which Mr Rickets was attached joined the Reg't. at Vally Forge [sic: Valley Forge] in Pensylvania early in the year 1778 and that Mr Rickets was in service at the time of the Battle of Camden in 1781 [Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] and further have every reason to believe he continued his service to the end of that war

[William B Wallace, pension application S42612] late Lieut Reg't Artill'y reg't Continental Estab./ Revolutionary war [28 Sep 1821]

State of Kentucky Bourbon County.

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I Certify that I was well acquainted with Lieut Nicholas Ricketts in the revolutionary war and recolect that the said Nicholas Rickets served as a Lieut. in Col Chas Harrison Regt of Artillery in the Virginia Continental line. From the Spring of the year 1778 untill the close of the war. I served as a Lieut in the same Regt to the end of the war. Given under my hand this 8th day of Octr. 1821

[Robert Wilmott, BLWt2415-200] Late Lieut. of 1st Regt of Artilery on Continentle Establishment.

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NOTES:

According to Heitman's *Historical Register of Officers of the Continental Army During the War of the Revolution*, Nicholas Ricketts was a 2nd Lt. in Capt. Dorsey's company of Maryland artillery on 1 Dec 1777. Like several other Maryland artillery companies, this one was attached to the 1st Continental Artillery Company commanded by Col. Charles Harrison of Virginia on 30 May 1778.

On 23 May 1825 Eleanor Welsh stated that Elizabeth R. Worthington was the only child of Nicholas Ricketts. On the same day Nicholas Brewer stated that Elizabeth Rebecca Worthington was the wife of Beale M. Worthington.

The Virginia bounty-land record also includes a statement by Robert Wilmott supporting the claim of Young Wilkinson S35136.