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Pension application of Jacob Norris BLWt1236-200 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Md. Norris, Jacob B.L.Wt. 1236-200

[p 3: Warrant No. 1594 for 200 Acres of Land issued to Jacob Norris, late a lieutenant in the Maryland Line. Warrant issued August 14, 1789.]

[p 5: Warrant No. 1236 issued to John C. Norris &c heirs of Lieut. Jacob Norris of the Maryland Line for 200 Acres of Land March 24th1727 and delivered to Jos. Watson.]

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State of Maryland County of Harford} SS I John C Norris of Harford County and one of the heirs-at-law of Jacob Norris late of the County of Harford deceased do upon oath, testify and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the said Jacob Norris was a Lieutenant in the Maryland line of the revolutionary Army on Continental establishment and served as such to the close of the War. Also I do further testify and declare that I have never received a warrant from the United States for the quantity of land due to the said deceased from the United States nor do I believe that he ever received it or transferred his right to it in any manner during his lifetime.

Therefore, know all men by these presents that I John C Norris as aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Colonel Joseph Watson of Washington City my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States a warrant for the quantity of land due me in right of said deceased.

And my said attorney is hereby fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for the special purposes therein expressed in the same to revoke at will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 19th day of February 1827

S/ John C Norris {Seal} ohn Coms

[p 8] State of Maryland County of Harford} SS Be it remembered that on this day the 20th day of February A.D. in 1827, there has been adduced to be satisfactory evidence to prove that John C Norris who has made the foregoing declaration, on oath and has subscribed the power of attorney therewith connected, is a son and one of the heirs of Jacob Norris late a Lieutenant in the Continental Army of the revolutionary war and that the other heirs of said Jacob Norris are seven in number, to wit: Mrs. Sophia Johnson (who is intermarried with John Johnson), Luther A Norris, Catherine T Hollis (who is intermarried with Richard F Hollis), John C Norris, Amanda A Norris, all of Harford County and State aforesaid also Otho Norris (who is a Lieutenant in the Navy of the United States and who is now at Sea) and John A Norris, both of whose residence is in Baltimore City and State aforesaid and that the above named persons are all the heirs of the said Jacob Norris known to be living.

In witness of all which, I have hereunto affixed my hand in my capacity of Justice of the Orphans Court for Harford County

S/ John Forwood