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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Caleb Thomas BLWt1274-100 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina New Hanover County

Personally appeared before me Mont. W. Campbell one of the Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid Thomas Callender,¹ who deposeth and saith, That he was an Officer in the first Regiment of North Carolina Continental troops through the War of the Revolution. That he was intimately acquainted with Caleb Thomas, a Drummer in said Regiment, and part of the time in the Company commanded by this deponent. That said Thomas continued to the close of the War, after which he settled in Wilmington NC and carried on the tailoring business, that said Thomas died in Charleston South Carolina, and at his death left one child a son, which this deponent knew from a Boy, his name William Thomas, who is now a Pilot at the main Bar, and resides at Smithville, that this deponent verily believes that the said William Thomas is the only rightful heir to the above named Caleb Thomas.

Sworn to before made this 7th March A.D. 1828 S/ M W. Campbell, JP

S/ Thomas Callender

State of North Carolina New Hanover County

Personally appeared before me Montesquieu W Campbell one of the Justices of the peace for the County of New Hanover, William Harriss and made oath that he was well acquainted with Caleb Thomas late of New Hanover County, that he married near Wilmington in said County, that the said Caleb Thomas left North Carolina sometime in or about the year 1803, and this deponent has heard and believes that the said Caleb Thomas died in Charleston South Carolina – that at the time the said Caleb Thomas left North Carolina he had but one child, named William Thomas, who is now living at Smithville in the County of Brunswick, that at the time Caleb Thomas left North Carolina he was a widower, and an enlisted soldier on the service of the United States in which service this deponent believes he died, and this deponent further believes that the said Caleb Thomas never married after he joined the service. Sworn to before made this 7th March 1828

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¹ Thomas Callender BLWt482-300

S/M.W.Campbell, JP

S/ Will Harriss

[f p 7: Power of attorney dated March 7, 1828, signed in New Hanover County North Carolina by William Thomas a resident of Brunswick County North Carolina, whereby William Thomas appointed Gabriel Holmes of Sampson County his attorney to obtain military land warrant based on the service of Caleb Thomas during the revolutionary war. William Thomas signed a document with his mark and it was acknowledged by Thomas Callender.]