Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant of John Wilson (Willson) BLWt1616-200 fn21VA Transcribed by Will Graves 10/4/11

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State of Kentucky

At a Court held for Clarke County, April 26 1830

Satisfactory evidence was adduced in Court, to prove that Frances J Hickman is the oldest child and only surviving heir at law in fee to John Willson late a Lieutenant in the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental Establishment who was slain in the battle of the Eutaw Springs in 1781 [September 8, 1781] and during the American Revolution.

I, James P. Bullock Clerk of the County Court do certify, that the above evidence is taken from the Records in my office. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my official Seal, this 26 day of April 1830

James Mullock

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John Wilson – Heirs of March 27, 1830

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Revolutionary Claims, made the following Report: The Committee on Revolutionary Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Lieutenant John Wilson's heirs, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report:

That the said John Wilson entered into the service of his country, as a private soldier in the Virginia line on Continental establishment, in the year 1776. Soon after joining the service, was appointed an Ensign, and subsequently a Lieutenant. That he continued in service up to the year 1781, when, on the 8th of September, of that year, at the battle of Eutaw Springs, he was killed, leaving two infant children, whose names were, in the year 1787, place on the pension roll of the State of Virginia, at the rate of £20 per annum; but, being removed from that state, in the autumn of the same year, in the State of Kentucky, and being very young, they were not able, and did not avail themselves of the bounty of their country, and, in the opinion of your committee, never did receive any part of said pension.

By a resolution of the 24th of August, 1780, half pay for seven years was granted to widows and children of those who might die in the service, or be slain in battle; annual committee, believing this case falls within the strict letter and spirit of said resolution, report a Bill of their relief.

I have this day ordered a land warrant No. 1626 4 Frances Jeretta Hickman daughter & only heir of John Wilson and who was a Lieutenant in the Virginia line for 200 acres of land S/Rh: M. Johnson 22nd June 1830