Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Bartholomew Wood R11797 Martha Ann Wood NC SC Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 3 Dec 2014.

State of Kentucky

Christian County SS

On this 3^d day of November 1845 personally appeared before Benjamin Shackelford Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit for the State aforesaid Martha Ann Wood a resident of Christian County and State of Kentucky aged Eighty two years the 21st June 1845, who having first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of congress passed July 4th 1836 and the act explanatory of said act passed March 3^d 1837.

That she was married to Bartholomew Wood who was a private in Col Robertsons or Robinsons Regiment of South Carolina Militia with whom her said husband served a tour of six months duty in the army of the Revolution in the year 1779– That her said husband resided at the time he entered the service in Greenville District South Carolina and Volunteered for six months against the Indians, and proceeded from thence as she is informed and believes against the Indians. burt their Towns and was in several engagements the particulars of which from old age she cannot now recollect nor can she recollect the names of the Capt & other officers under whom he served.

That he then removed to near Jonesborough [sic: Jonesboro] State of Tennessee [then North Carolina] where she was married to him on the 20th day of July 1780 as she believes soon after which her said Husband was again called upon and served a three months tour as private against the Indians, but she cannot recollect by whom commanded nor the particulars of the tour but she is well satisfied that he had several skirmishes with the Indians on the tour that her said Husband obtained no written discharge that she knows of She would further states that her said Husband served with John Wood brother to her husband in all the tours which he the said John Wood served who is now on the Pension list Roll for the State of Tennessee to whose Declaration she refers for other particulars that she is enabled at this distant day to relate and here refers then to as part of her Declaration, in order to show more conclusively the particular services of her said Husband. [see endnote]

She further declares that she was married to the said Bartholomew Wood on the 20th day of July 1780. Seventeen hundred and eighty, That her husband the aforesaid Bartholomew Wood died in Christian County on the 27th day of November 1827. that she has never married since that she was a Widow on the 4th day of July 1836. and still remains a Widow as will more fully be reference to the proof hereto annexed That from advanced age and bodily infirmities she cannot without great inconvenience attend in open Court. Martha herXmark A Wood

NOTES:

None of the pension applicants named John Wood claimed service that appeared to match that claimed for Bartholomew Wood by his widow.

Martha Wood's application was supported by depositions by her sons, Bartholomew T. Wood, age 54, Curtis D. Wood, 46, and Hardin I. Wood, 45.

The claim was rejected for insufficient proof of service and marriage.