Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Wright R11900 Mary f14VA Transcribed by Will Graves 10/23/11

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State of Georgia Heard County: Be it known that before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County personally appeared Mary Wright a resident citizen of said County & made oath in due form of law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832, with the various amendments thereto up to 3rd March 1853 (as the widow of William Wright a Revolutionary Soldier of the State line Troops of Virginia.) She states her age as well as she can compute it at 105 years and that she is now the widow of William Wright deceased who was a private in a company of Militia or state troops of Virginia Officers names not recollected, in the war of the Revolution & on the American side. To the best of her belief recollection her said husband – entered the service of the said Virginia State troops on or about the year 1777 as a pressed man and afterwards volunteer the term of entrance not recollected he continued in actual service until near the close of the war or son, about 1781 or 1782 and was honorably discharged, about the time last referred to, but the precise date not recollected but will be found by a reference to the Auditor's Office of public accounts in Richmond Virginia. She further states that she was married to the said William Wright on the 8th day of May (about) the year 1795 in Wilkes County State of Georgia by one Esquire Evans. She states that she cannot name the No. of Regiments or Officers attached to the service & pleads her extreme old age and consequent loss of memory of such particulars, she further states that his discharge has been lost or mislaid so that she can give no account of his discharge. She further states that she knows of no record of their marriage either public or private but refers the Department to the testimony of James Pritchett & Uel M. Mathews Clergyman & Holson Almon, Hezekiah Almon & Jonathan M Douglass who are old neighbors & citizens of her neighborhood. She further states that her husband has given in & drawn lands in the land lottery as a Revolutionary Soldier. She further states that she knows of no person living whereby she can prove the services of her husband, besides what she has now stated.

She hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State or (if any) only on that of the agency of the state of Virginia & that she is now a widow. Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of February A.D. 1853

& I certify that I have no interest in this claim

Attested Wm F. Davis, JP

S/ Mary Wright, X her mark

[James Pritchett & Uel M. Mathews, a clergyman, gave a supporting affidavit.]

[Holstun Almon, Hezekiah Almon & Jonathan M Douglass, neighbors of the applicant, gave a supporting affidavit in which they state that her husband died in June 1836; that they cannot

testify to her marriage but knew them to live quietly together as husband and wife for several years

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