Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Wiley R19086 Transcribed by Will Graves

fn12VA Half Pay 9/16/11

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[fn p. 2: last will and testament of James Wiley who recites that he is a resident of Fairfax County Virginia; he names his son William; his "unfortunate" son Robert; his daughter Elizabeth Young; his son James. The will is dated July 21, 1811 and was probated August 19, 1811 in Fairfax County Virginia.]

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By Order of General Greene

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Land Office, Annapolis, 13th of October 1841

Dear Sir,

Having been confined to my bed for several weeks past with a severe attack of the bilious fever, I have been unable to reply to your letter of the first Inst. Until today. The master pay rolls and the Army ledgers of the Revolution in this office have been very carefully examined and the only evidence they afford of the service of James Wiley, is, that he was appointed a Captain on the 4th day of October 1779, in the Select Militia of Frederick County, in a Battalion

commanded by Lieutenant Colonel William Blair. The rolls are very imperfect and do not show how long he was in service, or when he left the service, nor do I find his name upon any of the pay rolls or Army ledgers, I am therefore unable to furnish anything more than the date of his appointment.

I am very respectfully your Obedient Servant S/ G. G. Brown

William J. Anderson, Esqr.