



October in the year 1782 - & she knows nothing of any Discharges on this Tour - & when he was last enroled resided in Craven County North Carolina. That Her Husband the said Elisha Baker Died in the County of Blount in the State of Alabama on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year of Our Lord 1833 That he was insane for eighteen months previous thereto so that he was incapable of making his declaration to obtain the Benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 that she is the Lawful Widow of the said Elisha Baker & claims the Benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 She hereby declares she has no record of his age & since the Revolutionary War the said Deceased lived six or seven years in North Carolina then he removed to Georgia & Lived near twenty years then removed to Tennessee from thence to Jefferson County Alabama & Lived near fifteen years and then removed to Blount County Alabama the first of January 1832 and here died the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1833 I knew of but one written discharge he ever received & know it was burnt in his house during his lifetime the house and books & all his papers being destroyed by fire I am known in my present neighborhood by John Fowler William Holt Robert Shambly Charles Holt & John Ratliff who can Testify to the Character of my husband & myself for veracity & their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution and the said Sally Baker declares that she has no Documentary evidence of the said Elisha Baker's Revolutionary Services and knows of no person living whose testimony she can procure who can Testify to her said Husbands services. She hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity on of & in right of him the Deceased and declares that his name is not to her knowledge on the pension Roll of the agency of any State. Sally herXmark Baker

The State of Alabama}  
County of Blount} S.

On this 14 day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Thirty four personally appeared in open court before the Court of Blount County now sitting Sally Baker the Lawful Widow of Elisha Baker Late of Blount County Deceased, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on her oath make the following Amendment to the foregoing original Declaration made in this Court on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 1834 to obtain the Benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 The said Sally states that she Recollects that in the War of the Revolution & some time before the Surrender of Charleston [on 12 May 1780] there was a Draft in the State of North Carolina for the Term of Eighteen months and the Troops marched to the Northern Army. She further states that the Twelve months services of her husband in the year 1781 and 1782 was in consequence of a requisition for the State of North Carolina to furnish Troops for Twelve months a Draft was ordered late in the Summer or early in September in the year 1781 - a certain Ratio had to be raised by said Draft. the said Elisha Baker then belonged at Home to the Militia Company of Capt Charles Roach the Brother of Capt David Roach who was killed at Gen Gates Defeat. the Company was Classed off and each Class had to furnish one man and the class to which the said Elisha belonged agreed to pay him a certain sum of money for him to enroll his name for Twelve months - and they enroled his name in Lieu of Standing his draft. he then gathered his Corn early in the fall & left home & found his regiment and the Corps thus embodied was called the State Regiment and during all the Tours of said Elisha Baker he was with an embodied Corps doing duty as a soldier & not engaged in any Civil pursuit. the said Sally Baker thinks she cannot be mistaken in the Drafts of North Carolina for the periods of 12 & 18 months above spoken of & she thinks the Troops Raised were called The State Troops the said Elisha was not a minute man as suggested by the Hon J. L. Edwards [Commissioner of Pensions] to the Hon C C Clay of 5<sup>th</sup> April 1834 The said Elisha Baker once recollected the 10<sup>th</sup> Continental Regiment. They marched up from Willmington Station Short time at Kingston thence to Halifax on Roanoke & there were Vaxinated with Small Pox thence marched to the Northern Army. the said Sally Baker recollects said Regiment - her Brother Obediah Windham enlisted therein under Capt Vance & lost his life at the Battle of Monmouth The facts set forth by this Declarant are Strongly impressed on her mind & she thinks upon enquiry the War Department will find she is correct. She had many hard scenes to encounter in the absence of her husband & during part of the time had three small children to provide for Sally herXmark Baker

NOTE: On 18 July 1854 in Jefferson County AL, Rody Ratliff, 59, swore that she was the only known child of Elisha and Sarah Baker, both deceased.