Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Simms (Sims) R9611 Transcribed by Will Graves Judith

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Declaration of Susanah McAlister

Daughter and only Heir at Law of her Father, William Simms, of Virginia Continental Line of the revolution

In order to obtain the Benefit of the Acts of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 & 1836, State of Tennessee County of Washington: SS: On this 4th day of February in the year 1856 Personally appeared in open Court Susana McAllister, a resident of said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress taking of fact the 4th of March 1836, – that her Father, the said William Simms enlisted in the Virginia Continental Line in the County of Hanover in the State of Virginia for the term of three years which closed the war – that he was honorably discharged in 1782 – that she does not know the name of the Captain or Field Officers, – that he was married in the County of Hanover in the year 1773, – that the said William Simms died in the County of Maury, State of Tennessee in the year 1815, – that his widow Judith died in the year 1843 – that she is their only child.

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Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the 4 day of February 1856 S/ Henry Hop, Clerk

[In a power of attorney signed the same day as above, she signed her name

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[f p. 11: copy of a marriage bond dated August 9th, 1773 issued in Hanover County Virginia to William Sims & Joseph Cross conditioned upon the marriage of William Sims, Bachelor, & Judith Cross, Spinster.]