Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Allen ¹ W325 Alattica (Alathea) Allen Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee Lawrence County

On this the 19th day of August 1851 personally appeared before A. O. P. Nicholson Chancellor of the Middle Division of the State of Tennessee Sitting at Lawrenceburg for the said County of Lawrence, Alathea Allen a resident of said County of Lawrence aged 78 years who being first duly sworn according to law on her oath doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows," That she is the widow of Daniel Allen who was an Ensign of the Continental line in the war of the Revolution in the State of North Carolina and served some considerable time in said War and that his name was inscribed on the rolls in the office of Comptroller of public accounts in and for the State of North Carolina and pavements made to him as such in some, that he resided either in Guilford or Rockingham County State of North Carolina when he volunteered and entered the service under Captain William Bethel. The time he entered the service and the time he left the same not recollected.

She further declares that she was married to the said Daniel Allen on the 30th day of March 1788 by the Reverend Jonathan Mulkey at Washington County in the State of Tennessee, that her husband the aforesaid Daniel Allen died on the 30th July 1834 in the County of Giles in said State of Tennessee; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, viz.: at the time above stated. She further swears that she is now a widow and that she has never before made any application for a pension on account of her ignorance of her rights.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before A. O. P. Nicholson, Chancellor &c in open court.

S/A. O. P. Nicholson, Chancellor

S/ Alathea Allen, X her Mark

[p 7: On August 20, 1851 in Washington County Tennessee, Richard Hale, 75, gave testimony that he was present at the marriage of Daniel Allen and Alathea Hale which took place in the house of her father, Richard Hale, in the year 1788 or 1789. That the affiant was born in July 1776 and was between 12 and 13 years of age when the marriage took place. That the marriage ceremony was performed by the Reverend Jonathan Mulkey, a Baptist minister within 3 miles of Mulkey's residence. The affiant signed his affidavit with his mark.]

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[p 10: On August 25, 1851 in Fayette County Tennessee, Lucinda H Lacey gave testimony that she is the daughter of Daniel and Alathea Allen; that she has often seen the record of their marriage in the hand writing of her father in the book containing the family record. That said record shows that Daniel Allen and Alathea Hale were married March 30th, 1788.

Lucinda, H, Lucey

[p 12: On October 23, 1851 in Washington County Tennessee Ruth Chinouthe, formerly Ruth Hale, aged about 75 years and a resident of Washington County Tennessee gave testimony that she was present at the marriage of her sister Alathea Hale to Daniel Allen at her father's house on Sinking Creek in Washington County Tennessee in 1788 or 1789; that the marriage ceremony was performed by Parson Jonathan Mulkey, preacher of the Buffalo Bridge Baptist Meeting house in said County; that one or 2 years after said marriage a daughter named "Jinsey" (or Jane) was born to the veteran and his wife; before the veteran and his family moved to the Middle District of Tennessee, he lived at a place called Cedar Grove in Sullivan County Tennessee for about 8 or 10 years when he sold out to one Walter James and moved west. The affiant signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 13: On October 23rd 1851 in Washington County Tennessee, Richard Hale, 76 years old as of April 20th last according to affiant's father's statements, gave testimony that he was present at the marriage of his sister Alathea Hale to Daniel Allen; that Daniel Allen lived in Washington County Tennessee about 2 years before he married Alathea; that prior to coming to Tennessee Daniel Allen was a resident of Rockingham County North Carolina and had been an Ensign in the revolutionary Army of the North Carolina line; that about 2 years after the marriage, a daughter named "Jinsey" (or Jane) was born to the veteran and his wife; 3 other children were born to them namely Richard, Nancy & Agnes; that after the birth of Agnes the veteran and his family lived in Washington County about 10 years then removed West and settled first in Smith County then in Giles County Tennessee where Daniel died.

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[p 26: On September 1, 1851 in Lawrence County Tennessee, Richard H. Allan, aged 57 years, gave testimony that he had seen the family record of Daniel Allen; that he, the affiant, had said record in his possession for some time; that the record was in the hand writing of Daniel Allen and contained a record of the marriage of Daniel Allen and Alathea Hale on March 30, 1788; affiant also states he has seen a discharge of the said Daniel Allen as Ensign from the revolutionary Army. The relationship, if any, of the affiant to the veteran is not stated.

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State of North Carolina Comptroller's Office April 25th 1851

I, William J Clarke, Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears of record in said Office in the record of payments made to sundry persons for military services in the Revolutionary War that the following payments were made to Daniel Allen, to wit:

Book No. 2, £114.S19D9 (one hundred fourteen pounds, nineteen shillings and nine pence) specie, on page 36.

Book No. 6 page 33, Augt. 782 £18.S4 specie (Eighteen pounds four shillings)

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal of office the day and year first above written.

S/Wm. J. Clarke, Comptroller

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$166.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband service as an Ensign in the North Carolina service. The widow was also allowed the pension due her husband March 4th, 1831 until the date of his death.]