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Pension application of Thomas Tuggle W6335 Nancy f34VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 12/30/11

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State of Virginia

On this 15th day of November 1847 personally appeared in Open Court before the County Court of Prince Edward now sitting Amplias Tuggle, a resident of said County and State aged 47 years, being one of the surviving children of Nancy Tuggle, deceased (late widow of Thomas Tuggle) who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath (as far as he knows or believes) make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 4th 1836 –

He declares that he is one of the surviving children of Nancy Tuggle deceased late of said County and State who was the widow of Thomas Tuggle, deceased, formerly a Private in the Virginia Continental and militia service, in the War of the Revolution. He has always understood and believes the same to be true, that his Father the said Thomas Tuggle enlisted in the County of Prince Edward sometime in the month of February 1776 under Captain John Morton, to serve for the period of two years or three years in the Virginia Continental line, and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Lawson and General Stevens: that he served the said term faithfully and was honorably discharged from service. All of which will duly appear by reference to the accompanying evidence and the rolls of Captain John Morton now on file in the Pension Office. That subsequent to his marriage in 1781, he was in service again at the Siege of Yorktown, in the company commanded by Captain Byrd and afterwards attached to Captain Cunningham's Company, as will appear by the Certificate of John Simmons a soldier of the Revolution –

He further declares, that he always understood and believes the same to be true, that his Father the said Thomas Tuggle was married by the Reverend John B. Smith to Nancy Penick, his Mother, on the 15th day of March 1781 – (see Certificate of Marriage herewith filed) and that the marriage took place before the expiration of her husband's last period of service in the War of the Revolution.

That his Father the said Thomas Tuggle departed this life on or about the 24th day of July 1831; leaving his widow the said Nancy Tuggle and a large family of children: that his Mother the said Nancy Tuggle survived him for many years, and also departed this life on or about the 16th day of August 1840. The following all believed to be her only surviving children, to wit: Thomas T Tuggle; Nancy T. Saunders; Ebenezer Tuggle, Frances J Andrews [Frances I Andrews?] and Amplias Tuggle; all of whom are of legal ages –

That the said Nancy Tuggle after the death of her husband the said Thomas Tuggle never intermarried, but remained a widow of said Thomas Tuggle to the date of her death.

That the said Thomas Tuggle was not in indigent circumstances at any period of his life, and left at the time of his death a good estate, both real and personal; which will readily account

for his not claiming a Pension under the Act of March 18th, 1818 – he died before the passage of the Act of June 7th, 1832, and as such could not claim under that act. The widow of said Thomas Tuggle was very old and infirm and the children being separated and far apart has produced the lay in claiming the present Pension –

The present applicant for himself, and living children of said Nancy Tuggle, will claim for two years services under the Act of July 4th 1836; for such reasonable allowance as may seem right from the facts and circumstances of the case, the Pensioned commencing the fourth of March 1831, and terminating on the 16th day of August 1840, the date on which said Nancy Tuggle departed this life.

S/ Amplias Tuggle

Houplia, Tuggle

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Prince Edward County Virginia to wit

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace in & for the County aforesaid John Simmons and made oath, that he was a revolutionary Soldier and at the Siege of Yorktown, and that he was acquainted with Thomas Tuggle who lived & died in the aforesaid County and that the said Tuggle was in the Army with him at the siege of Yorktown; I believe we both belonged to the same Company, commanded by Captain Williamson Bryd, and afterwards attached to Captain Nathaniel Cunningham's Company. Given under my hand this 20th day of October 1847.

S/ James Venable, JP

[f p. 25]

State of Virginia: Prince Edward County to wit:

I John Simmons a Soldier of the Revolution do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with Thomas Tuggle and Nancy his wife, both deceased, late of the County of Prince Edward – I recollect distinctly that sometime in the month of September or October I think 1781, I was drafted in the Militia under Captain Williamson Byrd, to serve a tour of three months duty: that our company marched immediately in the direction of Yorktown, which was occupied at that time by the British; that shortly after our arrival, the siege of Yorktown commenced, and that on the 18th or 19th of October 1781, Cornwallis surrendered – I was engaged in the whole siege, and recollect that said Thomas Tuggle was with me in the same company and that of Captain Cunningham the whole tour of three months and served faithfully – I further certify, that the said Thomas Tuggle in the early part of the war, enlisted and served under Captain John Morton in the Virginia Continental line. I am in the 85th year of my age. inc - I am in the 8,8

[Attested January 13th, 1848]

[Fact in file: Amplian Tuggle died August 26, 1848.]

[Veteran's heirs were allowed a pension the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending July 24th, 1831 for his service as a private in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's widow's heirs were allowed a pension in a like amount commencing July 24th, 1831 and ending August 16, 1840.]

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Addendum to Thomas Tuggle W6335

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 25 April 2022.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit: [8 June 1837]

I do hereby Certify that Thomas Tuggle, late of Prince Edward, was a soldier of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment, in the war of the Revolution: he enlisted under Capt John Morton [VAS765] for three years in 1777 and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col Lawson [Robert Lawson VAS850] and Genl Stephens [sic: Adam Stephen]. I belonged to Capt Brent's company of the same Regiment, and recollect distinctly that the said Thomas Tuggle served faithfully three years in succession in the continental line, and was regularly discharged. I am in the 89th year of my age, and was a soldier of the continental line and a Pensioner of the U States.

William Vaughan

William Vaughan [S14754]

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia. [17 July 1837]

The Memorial of the Heirs and legal representatives of Thomas Tuggle late a soldier of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment in the war of the Revolution: Respectfully sheweth:

That your Memorialist were young at the time their late Father the said Thomas Tuggle entered the service of the United States in the Revolutionary war; and of course, have no personal knowledge of his services. They have to depend on the public Records, and certificates of credible persons, who served with him in the Continental Army, in order to establish their claim.

That the said Thomas Tuggle, late of Prince Edward, sometime in 1777, enlisted under Capt John Morton, to serve for the period of three years, as a soldier of the state line of Virginia on Continental establishment: that he was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col Lawson and General Stephen's and that he served three years successively in the continental line, and was regularly discharged from service. All of which will readily appear by reference to accompanying certificates of credible soldiers who served with him the whole time; and of course, had an opportunity of knowing.

Your Memorialist further state, that the name of the said Thomas Tuggle appears on the army Register of the Continental line, and has not received his Land Bounty from the State of Virginia.

Your Memorialist, therefore, humbly pray that they as the Heirs and legal representatives, may be allowed the quantity of land, to which the said Thomas Tuggle in his life time was entitled, for three years services rendered as a soldier of the state line of Virginia on Continental establishment, in the war of the Revolution, pursuant to the laws of Virginia in such case made and provided. And as in duty bound, shall ever pray &c Thomas T. Tuggle/ Eberusar[?] Tuggle/ John Tuggle/ Amplian Tuggle