Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Rylie (Riley) W8572 Susannah f35VA Transcribed by Will Graves 8/22/12

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State of Virginia Washington County: SS

On this 25th day of March 1833 personally appeared before the County Court for said County Daniel Rily a resident of the County and state aforesaid aged ninety-four years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision may by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1776 in the month of March under Captain Thomas Bell at Staunton in Augusta County Virginia for three years or during the war – That he marched under Captain Bell to Valley Forge – There he was transferred to a Company commanded by Captain Alexander Breckenridge in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Russell. – That he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] & Germantown [October 4, 1777] – and afterwards at the taking of Burgoyne [Battle of Saratoga, October 7, 1777] – Colonel Russell and Colonel Cabell commanding the Regiment to which he belonged at the time of the engagements above alluded in the year 1777 – He was there with his Regiment marched to Middlebrook in New Jersey and remained there during the winter – and in the state of New Jersey until 1779 – In this year was at the taking of Stony Point [July 16, 1779] under the command of General Wayne [Anthony Wayne], from thence was marched to West Point and after remaining there some time was marched back to Virginia and in the winter of the same year was marched to Charleston in South Carolina, and was there when it was taken by the British [May 12th, 1780], and made a prisoner and kept on board a guard ships until the taking of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] at Yorktown Virginia was then exchanged and immediately afterwards discharged at Yorktown by Colonel Russell. His discharge was sent to Richmond Virginia when he obtained his land warrant.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Dan Rylie, X his mark

If p. 13: On April 4, 1854 in Russell County Virginia, Thomas J Rylie heir at law of Susan, widow of Daniel Rylie deceased filed an affidavit stating that his mother was the widow of Daniel Rylie a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$80 a year; that he died in Washington County Virginia as well as the affiant can remember in March 1838; that Susan, the mother of the affiant, died October 7, 1853 in Russell County Virginia survived; that Daniel & Susan were married in Russell County March 18th, 1807; that he claims a pension by right of his mother Susan under the law of 1836.



[f p. 15: On April 4, 1855 in Russell County Virginia, William Jackson, aged about 55 years, and Andrew L. Jackson, aged about 47 years, gave testimony that they were well acquainted with Susan Rylie, widow of Daniel Rylie, that she died about October 7, 1853 survived only by Thomas J and Jackson Rylie.]

[f. p. 8: certificate of rites of marriage between Daniel Riely and Susannah Jackson, March 18th 1807 signed by Edward Kelley, Russell County, Virginia.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing February 3, 1853 and ending October 7, 1853.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

This may certify that Daniel Rily is a Soldier in the Virginia Continental line, Colonel Grayson's Regiment for the War.

Given under my hand in Washington County this 17th day of October 1783.

S/ Alex Breckenridge Captain Virginia line

genuine, I believe

Thomas Meriwether

This may Certify that Daniel Rily a Soldier in the Virginia Continental line, Colonel Grayson's Regiment, enlisted the 1st day of January 1777 for the term of 3 years, afterwards reenlisted in December 1779 for the war and half received his full pay in paper currency up to the 31st day of November 1779

Given under my hand in Washington County this 17th day of October 1783

S/ Alex Breckenridge Captain Virginia line

[reverse]

For value received I do hereby assign & make over to James Raburn his Heirs or assigns all my Wright & title to pay & Land

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[Though not labeled as such, because the handwriting is so uniform on these documents, I believe that they are copies of originals and not the originals.]