Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Humphries VAS1671 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

State of Virginia Bedford County

Randolph Humphries aged Sixty-one years being duly sworn according to law says that John Humphries enlisted sometime in the fall of 1778 for the term of three years in the Virginia Continental service and served in Washington's Corps of horse [William Washington], the deponent does not know to what Regiment the said Humphries was attached or whether permanently attached to any particular Regiment being frequently detached on Scouting expeditions. Deponent further says that the said Humphries was honorably discharged at the expiration of the term of his engagement – deponent was acquainted with the said John Humphries from the time of his service until some short time before his death and knew that he rendered the [the image of this page of this document cuts off at the bottom thereof at this point] [next page]

Subscribed and sworn to before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Bedford and State of Virginia the 29th day of November 1826

S/Wm Gale, JP

State of Virginia Bedford County

Randolph Humphries being duly sworn doth say that he has never received from the United States nor from the State of Virginia any land bounty on account of services rendered by John Humphries his brother in the Virginia Continental line neither has any other person claiming as the heir of [indecipherable word] the said John Humphries to his knowledge or belief nor did the said Humphries during his lifetime though he has frequently heard him say he was justly entitled S/ Randolph Humphries

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I do certify that I was well acquainted with John Humphries during the Revolution, and that he engaged for the period of three years, and served out the said term faithfully and was honorably discharged. I further certify that the said Humphries served in the Virginia Line on Continental establishment, and was attached to a troop of horse called Washington's Poor, I was well acquainted with the said Humphries before he went into service and continued my acquaintance with him until his death which was a few years after the close of the war and know that he is the

man whose brother is an applicant for bounty land.

S/Gilliam King
Gilliam King

[Attested in Bedford County Virginia August 27, 1827 by William Gale, JP]