Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Laughlin McLain (McLane, McClain) BLWt12346¹ f24VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 5/8/13

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[p 23: a letter dated November 7, 1914,in response to an inquiry regarding this soldier reads in relevant part as follows:

In response to your letter of the 2nd instant, you are advised that the records of this Bureau show that Bounty Land Warrant No. 12,346 for 100 acres was issued November 5, 1789, on account of the service of Laughlin McLain, McLane or McClain, a Private in the Virginia troops, Revolutionary War.

The soldier's son John, was alive in 1823.

There is no further data relative to the soldier, his service or family, on file.

Very respectfully

G. M. Saltzgaber

Commissioner

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¹ Issued 1789