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Bounty Land Warrant Record of William Ortan BLWt1987-100 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Delaware County of Sussex

Personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in & for the County of Sussex, Elizabeth Castine the daughter & heir of William Ortan deceased formerly a soldier of the Delaware line in the Army of the Revolution & made oath that she is the daughter & one of the heirs of William Ortan aforesaid – that said William Ortan died in 1793 & left only 2 children & heirs to wit herself & George Ortan & that George Ortan died in the year 1829 leaving only 2 children & heirs to wit, Thomas Ortan & William Henry Ortan.

S/ Elizabeth Castine

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 11th November 1833 S/P. Hall, JP

The deposition of Benjamin McIlvaine aged seventy-six years who says he was well acquainted with William Ortan of this County – that said William Ortan served in the Delaware line in the Army of the Revolution; and continued in service till the War ended as this deponent always understood & verily believes = & that it was the same William Ortan who was the father of George Ortan now deceased & Elizabeth Castine – and that said William Ortan died in the year 1793.

S/ Benj. McIlvaine affiant

[Attested November 11, 1833 in Sussex County Delaware]