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Bounty Land Warrant Application of Benjamin Huggins BLWt2306-150 f6SC Transcribed and annotated by Will Graves 1/12/11: rev'd 11/7/22

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State of South Carolina District of Charleston: I Elisabeth Huggins niece of and one of the heirs at law in fee of Ensign Benjamin Huggins deceased and now residing in Charleston South Carolina do upon oath testify and declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that my uncle the said Benjamin Huggins did entered the service in the year 1776 for the term of the war and served as Lieutenant or Ensign in __ Regiment under the command __ of the South Carolina line, and that he continued in the service aforesaid until the end of the war.

I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to said Lieutenant Benjamin Huggins on the part of the United States, nor do I believe that he ever received it or transferred his claim to it in any manner whatsoever.

Therefore Know all men by these presents, that I Elisabeth Huggins aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint the Honorable Isaac E Holmes to be my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name to demand and receive of the Secretary of War of the United States a Warrant for the quantity of land due to me as aforesaid, and my said attorney hereby fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for the special purposes above expressed.

Attest

S/ Mary F. V. Taylor

S/ Elizabeth Huggins

[October 1, 1842 notarized by Patrick Cantwell]

State of South Carolina District of Charleston: Ordinary's Office Charleston South Carolina I Thomas Lehré Esquire ordinary for said district Do hereby certify that satisfactory evidence has been adduced to me to prove that Benjamin Huggins an officer in the revolutionary Army of South Carolina Continental line died about the year 1797 unmarried, that, he left two brothers named Nathan and Mark Huggins who have departed this life, that, said Nathan left seven children, to wit, Martha, afterwards Mrs. Geery [?] deceased who left two children named Peter and William Geery, who all the grand nephews of said Benjamin Huggins and of age, Frances, afterwards Mrs. Taylor, deceased, who left two children named Ann and Mary who are the grandnieces of said Benjamin Huggins, are minors Robert W Seymour Esquire being there Guardian or trustee, Charles Huggins, who is the nephew of said Benjamin Huggins, Maria

Huggins who is the niece of said Benjamin Huggins, Gerlia [could by Gulia] afterwards Mrs. Radcliff who is a niece of said Benjamin Huggins, Charlotte Huggins, who is the niece of said Benjamin Huggins, Elizabeth Huggins who is the niece of said Benjamin Huggins.

And the aforesaid Mark Huggins deceased left two children, viz., Elizabeth and Ann, who have also died, Ann left one child name Mary afterwards Mary Hapford who is also deceased, who if she left any children are unknown, Elizabeth left one son to wit James Commander [?] of Georgetown South Carolina who is the grand nephew of said Benjamin Huggins and of age.

And that the said above named parties are the only heirs at law in fee known or believed to be in existence.

Given under my hand and the seal of my office at Charleston South Carolina this one day of October 1842

S/ Thomas Lehré Ordinary of the District of Charleston South Carolina

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South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Benjamin Huggins Audited Account No. 3846A

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[p 2: Printed form of Indent No. 522 Book C dated October 2, 1784 "delivered to Mr. Benjamin Huggins this our INDENTED CERTIFICATE for the Sum of One Hundred and Seventy Seven Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Eleven Pence farthing for Pay & Subsistence due him as Adjutant in Colonel Peter Horry's Cavalry per Certificate from the Auditor General."]

[p 4: Reverse of the above Indent bearing, among others, the following endorsement:

I do hereby Assign over all my Right and Title claim Interest and demand to the within Indent unto Mr. Lewis DuSarque or order for Value received this 7th day of October 1780 for Witness

S/ J. W. Gibbs S/ Benj. Huggins

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the Just take me to the search page link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.