Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant Record of Samuel Cross BLWt2320-100 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Chester County to wit

I James Crossed aged Sixty years and upwards the Brother and only Heir at law of Samuel Cross deceased do upon oath declare and Testify that to the best of my knowledge understanding and belief the said Samuel Cross did enlist in the service as a soldier in the War of the Revolution under Captain Kirkwood [David Kirkwood or Robert Henry Kirkwood], and served as a Sergeant in the Delaware Regiment in the States of Maryland, Delaware, Virginia & Carolina and with the southern Army under Colonel W Washington [William Washington] and that he continued in the service of the United States until the war ended. I further declare that he died at New Castle in the State of Delaware about the year 1795 in the month of January intestate and without issue, and that I am his only Brother and Heir at law, and that I have never received a new warrant for the bounty land promised to the said Samuel Cross 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 whatever. Therefore know all men by these Presents that I James Crossed aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Honorable George B Rodney of the State of Delaware to be my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive from the Honorable the Secretary of War of the United States a warrant for the quantity of land due me as heir aforesaid and my said attorney is fully authorized and empowered hereby to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for the purposes aforesaid expressed. Witness my hand & seal this 29th day of November 1841.

S/ James Cross

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Personally appeared William Woodside aged Eighty-four years, to me well-known, who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says that he knew Samuel Crossed the Elder formerly of London Derry Township, now Penn Township, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that he had two sons Samuel & James, that Samuel Cross enlisted in the service of the United States in the Delaware Regiment in the revolutionary war as he believes in Captain Kirkwood's company, and that he served to the end of the war, and as he understood and verily believes died at New Castle intestate and without issue, that he is well acquainted with James Cross and knows him as being always been reputed Brother and only heir at law of the said Samuel Crossed who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, that he knows of no other heir or [nor] has he heard of any and is satisfied the said James is the only relative or heir at law living.

Sworn & subscribed the November 29, 1841 S/ William Woodside