Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Bounty Land Claim of Archibald Anderson BLWt390-400 MD Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 29 Sep 2015.

I do Certify that Archibald Anderson was a Lieutenant in an Independent Company in the Regular establishment of the State of Maryland in the year 1776, that the State troops were disbanded in Nov'r or December of the same year, and that Mr. Anderson was promoted to the Rank of Major in the Continental Establishment in the Maryland line of the Army, in which Capacity he continued until he fell at the Battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781]

Washington 5 Nov'r 1807 S. Smith [Smuel Smith, pension application W9303]

formerly Lieut. Col. 4th Maryland Regiment

I do also Certify that Major Anderson was always understood by me to be an unmarried Man

I certify that my acquaintance with Archibald Anderson commenced in the early part of the year 1777, that he was at that time a Captain in the Maryland line. that he was afterward promoted to the rank of Major, and continued to serve in that Capacity until he fell at the Battle of Guilford. that Mr. Anderson was always understood by me to be an unmarried man — and that I do not nor have I heard of Mr. Anderson having any relations in Maryland — Phil Rus-

[Philip Reed] – Late Captain Maryland Line

NOTE: The above depositions relate to the application for bounty land by Anderson's heirs, daughters of his sister, Esther Montgomery. Daniel Montgomery listed the heirs as Elinor Woodside, Mary Montgomery, and Martha Hendrick, and he stated that "Elinor and Mary lived many years with my father while young." The file contains the following certificate:

That ye Bearer John Woodside was joined in Bonds of Matrimony to Eliner Montgomery who was ye oldest Daughter of Esther Mongomery (alias Anderson) sister to Major Archib[ald] Anderson of ye Mariland line who ser[ved] in ye battle at Guilford. That I have been personally acquainted with ye Major, & his sister, & her Children, as a part of my Pastoral charge for many years. That in ye year 1772, I married ye above John Woodside & Eliner Montgomery. That she & the other sisters viz [name undeciphered] Martha Montgomery were baptized by me & being so long and very intimately acquainted with them all gives me an undoubted right to certify whom it may concern, ye Eliner Woodside & her two sisters, are ve only Natural & Lawful Heirs of their uncle Major Anderson deceasd unless his Will, if he made one, should prove otherways. These things are certified this sixth day of Decemb'r 1783 by At/ New County in the Delaware State Willm McKennan Senr/ V.D.M.