Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Levi Long BLWt924-100 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Know all men by these presents

That I Levi Long a Soldier in the Revolutionary War in Captain Parson's Company in Colonel William Washington's Regiment of Cavalry who was enlisted Shortly after the battle of Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781] and before the battle at Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] to serve during the war but was sick and on furlough when the Troops were discharged which prevented my having a discharge from the United States Army on the __ day of __ as will more fully appear by the records at the war Department and by these presents do nominate constitute and appoint Parker Williams my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name and in my behalf to procure and receive from such officer person or persons as shall be legally authorized to grant the same a warrant for the quantity of land to which I am entitled for Services rendered by me as a Soldier in the Army of the United States during the Revolutionary War pursuant to the law of the United States in such case made and provided. And I do further hereby empower the said Parker Williams to do and perform all such acts and things, and to give such a receipt or receipts or execute such instrument or instruments in writing as shall be required as in full and ample a manner as I could myself do were I personally present. And I do hereby further empower him to constitute and appoint an attorney or attorneys under him for the said purposes and also at pleasure to revoke the same. And do further hereby ratify and affirm whatever my said attorney or his substitute shall lawfully do in the premises.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Sussex Court House this 26 day of April 1819.

S/ Levi Long, X his mark

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

indexed under the name Levy Long

It appears by the Size Role 4th Troop that Levi Long enlisted for the War in Baylor's Dragoons the 30th of April 1781 & served until the mutiny 1 May 1783.

¹ Veteran must have been a participant in the mutiny which occurred in Baylor's Corps in South Carolina. E. M. Sanchez-Saavedra, A Guide to Virginia Military Organizations in the American Revolution, 1774-1787 (Westminster MD: Heritage Books, 2007, p 104) states: "On November 9, 1782, the 1st and 3d regiments of Continental Light Dragoons were merged into a unit of five troops, nominally commanded by the ailing George Baylor, but actually commanded by Major [John] Swan. The consolidated regiments remained in South Carolina until peace was declared. On hearing of the peace, about half the men elected Sergeant-Major William Dangerfield as their leader, seized the remaining horses, and rode homeward. By their mutiny they

S/William Barrett, formerly Captain Taylor's Dragoons April 19, 1785

These is to Authorized Colonel David Mason to get me a land Warrant. Given under my hand this 22^{nd} May 1785

S/ Levi Long, X his mark

To

Colo. Thos. Maryweather [Thomas Meriwether] Richmond