Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Collins (No M.I.)¹: No 582 Transcribed by Richard A. Collins (Periods added and standardized capital letters) NC23 12/14/14

State of North Carolina No.582

To all to whom these presents shall come greetings.

Know ye that we pursuant to an Act of our General Assembly entitled an Act for the relief of the Officers and Soldiers of the Continental Line and for other purposes and in consideration of the signal bravery and persevering zeal of John Collins a private in the said line -- have Given and Granted and by these present do give and grant unto John Collins a tract of Land containing two hundred and seventy four acres lying and being in our County of Davidson² on Marie's [?] Creek³ by some called Pleasant Creek about three or four miles North of Cumberland River.

Beginning at a Black oak and hickory on the east side of said Creek running West one hundred and Sixty eight poles and six Tenths to an ash then North two hundred and Sixty poles to a hickory thence East one hundred and sixty eight poles and tenths to a Stake thence South two hundred and sixty poles to the Beginning ash the plat hereunto annexed doth appear together with all Woods Waters mines minerals hereditaments and appurtenances to the Said Land belonging or appertaining to hold to the said John Collins his heirs and assigns for ever yielding and paying to us Such Sums of money yearly or otherwise as our General Assembly from time to time may Direct provided always that the said John Collins shall cause this Grant to be registered in the office of our Said County of Davidson Within Twelve months from the date hereof otherwise the same shall be void and of none effect. In testimony. Whereof we have caused these our letters to be made patent and our great seal to be hereunto affixed.

Witness Richard Caswell Esquire our Governor Captain General and Commander in Chief at Kinston the 15th day of September in the 11th year of our Independence AD 1787.

By his Excellency's Com'd [Command] Rd Caswell [Richard Caswell]
J Glasgow, Secretary

Recorded in the Secretarys office

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¹ No middle initial

² This Davidson County North Carolina was originally formed in 1786 and encompassed the extreme western portion of then North Carolina, now middle Tennessee, with a center around modern day Nashville. When Tennessee was formed in 1796, Davidson County became a county in that state. Modern day Davidson County North Carolina was formed in 1822 from Rowan County.

³ The USGS Board of Geographical Names contains no reference to a creek by any name remotely bearing a name similar to either Maries, Moore's, Mann, etc or Pleasant which flows into the Cumberland River. http://geonames.usgs.gov/apex/f?p=136:1:0::NO::P1_COUNTY%2CP1_COUNTY_ALONG:n%2C

J. Martin D. Sec. [Deputy Secretary]

Rec'd [Received] the State tax on the within Grant Nov $^{\rm r}$ 4th 1814 Recorded November 4th 1814 S/ R. Cooper, C. S. ??

Side bar notes:
State of North Carolina
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John Collins
274 acres
(_____) Maries Creek