Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Brackin (Bracken) R1119 fn13NC Transcribed by Will Graves 9/28/10

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State of Alabama Dale County: Personally appeared before the County Court of Dale William Bracken a resident of the State and County aforesaid and saith that he is of the age of eighty-three who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832, that he entered in the Army of the United States militia under Colonel Love in the year 1778; and served two years as Captain then enlisted in the United States service under General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] and served in the 24th [?] Regiment of the Continental line under the following named officers Mager [Major] Rowan, Segent Hewit in the State of North Carolina Anson County for the term of three years and then obtained a discharge from Colonel Marlborough, and I hereby relinquish every claim whatsoever to any pension or annuity Except the present; and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Bracken, X his mark

[Attested by William Harper, Judge of the County Court] [John Ard and Reuben Ard, clergymen, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Alabama Dale County: Personally appeared before me Moses G Matthews an acting Justice of the Peace in & for Dale County & State aforesaid William A Brackin who being duly sworn deposeth & saith that William Brackin a revolutionary Soldier was a living citizen until the 13th day of August A.D. 1833 who died in Henry County Alabama on said day and left a widow who was a second wife of said William Bracken which left no heirs by said wife who died within about one month after said deceased – But left two surviving heirs of the said Brackin deceased Isaac & Matthew Brackin known as his heirs by the first wife.

Sworn to and subscribed before may this June 20th 1853

S/M. G. Matthews, JP

S/ William A. Brackin

[the following document is heavily edited]

February the 22nd 1857

Dear Sir I take the opportunity of writing to you a few lines concerning some business that has been before that office in relation to a Revolutionary Soldier pension to which William Brackin claim [indecipherable letter or letters] the claim has been granted to one S. M. Knight who has been engaged in the case we have letters to say that the pension money will be forwarded soon but that was August 1855 and some letters have been lost at the post office since that time we believe that some P. M. has robbed us of our pension & for information I want you to examine the rolls and see that if there has ever been any money paid to Knight and how much or if there is any Bounty Land coming to them if there is send a form. Write to Matthias Brackin Esquire Newton Dale County Alabama

To the Page Master General of Revolutionary Soldiers So A very Respectfully your obedient Servant

S/ Matthias Brackin Esquire

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