## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Brooks R1257 Martha fn20NC Transcribed by Will Graves 10/6/10

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State of Georgia Habersham County: SS

On this 10th day of June 1853, Personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Ordinary now sitting, James Brooks a resident of said County and State aged seventy-four years who after being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he is the son of the late Thomas Brooks of North Carolina, who informed him that he performed a great deal of service in the revolutionary War in the State of North Carolina as an officer of higher grade and perhaps some as a private. Declarant also further says that the said Thomas Brooks informed him in his lifetime that he was married to Martha Temples before the commencement of the revolutionary war and that he the said James Brooks remembers that his father – Thomas, died on the 31st day of July 1812, and his mother Martha died on the 10th day of May 1844, both in the State of North Carolina, Chatham County. And that he now applies for the Pension due his mother at her death. Declarant yet further says that he has understood from his father that he was in fourteen battles during the war, but does not remember the names of the places where they were fought.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State, that he is the son of the above named Thomas Brooks and Martha Brooks and the only one that he knows to be now living and was there seventh child. Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year above written, and I certify that I am not interested in the result of the case nor concerned in its prosecution.

S/ Cicero H Sutton, Ordinary

S/ James Brooks

State of Georgia Habersham County: SS

On this 12th day of October 1853.

Personally appeared before the Court of Ordinary at a call term now sitting in said County James Brooks a resident of Habersham County, State of Georgia, aged seventy-eight years – who being first 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 July 4, 1836: That he is the son of Thomas Brooks and Martha his wife, who were married in the State of North Carolina

in Chatham County on the 20th day of August 1764, that the said Thomas Brooks often informed declarant that he served as a Major in the revolutionary war in the State of North Carolina, that the said Thomas died in said State and County on the 31st day of July 1814, and the said Martha died in the same State and County on the 10th day of May 1844, and that he declarant now applies as the only known surviving heir for the pension due his mother the said Martha at her death.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before the said Court and I certify that I am not interested in this case nor concerned in its prosecution S/C. H. Sutton, Ordinary

S/ James Brooks

[fn p. 20: certificate dated June 27, 1853 from the North Carolina Comptroller General showing payments made to a Thomas Brooks during the revolution for military services also containing the following statement: "Thomas Brooks also appears as a private, in Major John Nelson's Company, 1st Battalion NC forces commanded by Colonel Thomas Clarke mustered March 27th 1780 at Charlestown, South Carolina, as having enlisted July 1st 1777 for 3 years."]