Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Elisha Burroughs (Burrows, Burris) R1503 Margaret P. Burroughs MD Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Maryland Saint Marys County to wit

Be it Remembered that on this 29th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, Personally appears Ignatius Mattingly before the subscriber one of the State of Maryland's Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, and makes Oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that he this deponent is about eighty five years of age, that he was well acquainted with Elisha Burroughs, alias Elisha Burrows, alias Elisha Burris, that said Burroughs and deponent were soldiers in the American service during the Revolutionary War, that they enlisted in Saint Mary's County and march'd & joined the Regiment commanded by General William Smallwood. that said Burroughs and deponent were afterwards seperated, said Burroughs being ordered to the North and was at at the seige of little york [Yorktown VA, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] That said Burroughs remained in the American Army 'till the close of the War, and was not seen by deponent 'till his return to Maryland at the close thereof.

Sworn Before Wm Henry Neale

Charles County Maryland

Know all men by these presence that we John H Burroughs & P H Burroughs of the County and State above named, this 29th day of Sept'r Eighteen Hundred and fifty three have constituted C H Spalding our sufficient and Lawful Attorney in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask and demand sue for, reovour and recieve of and from the Department of the united States at Washington, to Examine the papers on file at said Department relating to survises of my Farther Elis'a. Burroughs in the revolutionary war, or any paper that may be on file relating to Margaret P Burroughs to which we are the above namd are the only heirs of the said Elis'a & Margaret P Burroughs, they being boath ded) and all such sumes of money Debts and demands whatsoever which are now due and oweing to the Heairs of the aforesaid Elis'a & M P Burroughs, by and from the said Department of State, to have and take all lawful ways and means, in our names or other wise, for the recovery thereof and to compound and agree for the same, and aquittance or the sufficient discharge, for the same and in our names to make sale and deliver, and to do all other lawful acts and things, whatsoever concerning the premices, as fully in Every Respect, as we our selves might or could were we personally present at the dowing thereof and attornies one or more under him for the purposess aforesaid to make, and gave at his plasure to revoke Ratify and Conferming and by these presence allowing whatsoever my said attorny shall in our names lawfully do or cause to be done in and about the premises by Virgue of these presence, and witness wheareof we have set our hand & seals this day and yeare with in named J H Burroughs and acting for P H Burroughs

Land Office, Annapolis, 5th January, 1839;

I hereby Certify, that by "an alphabetical list of discharged Soldiers of the two Battalions of Militia, raised to serve in the Continental Army in the year 1781," and remaining in this office, That the name of Elisha Burris, appears upon said list, to have received £10.13.4 and to have been discharged on the 3rd day of December 1781; George G. Brewer/ Reg'r. Land Off. W.S.Md.

NOTES:

On 3 Nov 1838 Peter McCann stated that in 1818 or 1819 Elisha Burroughs had seven or eight children and could not write his own name.

A document in the file states that in Charles County on 30 Nov 1793 a license was issued for the marriage of Elisha Burroughs and Margaret P. Swann.