## **Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

## Pension application of Clement Read and Edmund Read R17319

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[Note: Two files with the same file number assigned by the National Archives for reasons that will be clear from the documents transcribed below.]

[Cover sheet of Clement Read R17319]

R17319 Va. Read, Clement

> same number used for Edmund Read Va. Half Pay

[p 2 body of a letter dated June 26, 1916 responding to an information request relating to this veteran:

"In response to a personal inquiry on the twenty sixth instant relative to "Clement Read" of the Revolution, you are advised that the papers on file in this Bureau show that one Sion S. Read of Murfreesborough, Tennessee in 1834, stated that he was the administrator for, and one of the heirs of his great-grandfather Colonel Clement Read deceased, of the Virginia line.

As there are no dates of enlistment and discharge, or particulars of service stated, no claim whatever allowed, and there is no further information obtainable from this Bureau."]

[Cover sheet for Edmund Read R17319]

Va. Read, Edmund R17319 Va. Half Pay

This person also claims on account of the service of Colonel Clement Read (See paper within)

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State of Tennessee Rutherford County: County Court November term 1834

It appearing to the Court that Edmund Read is deceased and have left no will or testament, and Sion S. Read having applied for letters of administration debonis non on his estate, and he having given bond and security in the sum of \$15,000, and qualified according to law, to him they are granted.

[attested by John R. Laughlin, clerk of the Rutherford County Tennessee court November 24, 1834.]

Murfreesboro, Tennessee November 24, 1834

To the Honorable Lewis Cass Sir

Being advised that there are certain claims due to the legal heirs of my grandfather Colonel Clement Read deceased and my grand uncle Captain Edmund Read deceased under the Act of Congress of May 30, 1830, entitled "an act for the relief of certain officers and soldiers of the Virginia line & Navy; and of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War": and also under the act of Congress of July 5, 1832, entitled "an act to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia." And having taken out letters testamentary *de bonis non* upon the goods & chattels rights and credits of my said ancestors, I hereby file my claim for such a commutation as they may be entitled to under the aforesaid act of 1832 – Which I will prosecute, by attorney, under such rules of testimony &c as your department shall proscribe.

I am, for my own part, and as attorney-in-fact for my co-heirs do also file my claims to all the scrip, which we may be entitled to as heirs of the aforesaid decedents under the act of 18[text runs off page, but probably read "1832" since the file cover refers to the claim as being for Half Pay] which I will prosecute as aforesaid.

I have the honor to be Sir Your Obedient Servant S/ Sion S. Read

