Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Bagnal R367 Transcribed by Will Graves Mary Bagnal

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State of South Carolina Sumter District}

On this 4th day of August A.D. 1856 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Ordinary now sitting John B. Bagnall a resident of Sumter District in the State of South Carolina aged 52 [could be 62] 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 Acts of Congress granting Pensions to Revolutionary Soldiers passed 7 of June 1832 and also the act passed 4 July 1836 granting Pensions to widows of Revolutionary Soldiers: That he together with Isaac Bagnal are the only surviving children of John Bagnal deceased who entered the service of the United States as he has always understood and believes some time in the year 1780 and continued therein until the close of the war in 1783. That he was a member of Captain Conyers [James Conyers'] Company of light Dragoons under the command of General Marion [Francis Marion] of the State of South Carolina -- that he believes that he was engaged in all the Battles fought by his intrepid commander from 1780 till the close of the War, And especially in the Battles at Wadboo [probably Wadboo Bridge #2, July 17, 1781], Georgetown, Black River [probably Tearcoat Swamp, October 25, 1780], Fort Watson [probably Fort Watson #2, April 16, 1781], Fort Motte [May 7, 1781] and Moncks Corner [probably the action near Moncks Corner, September 10, 1781] -- that he resided in the State of South Carolina in what was then called Camden District now Sumter district and continued to reside therein till his death -- that he died on the 24th day of March 1825 leaving a widow who died on the 10th day of January 1841 in this District leaving at the time of her death four children alive two of which have since died.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/A. A. Nettles

John B. Bagnal

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State of South Carolina Sumter District: On this 4th day of December A.D. 1856 personally appeared before me a Magistrate duly authorized to take depositions Thomas Tobias aged eighty-

¹ There were a number of actions involving troops under the command of Marion at or near Georgetown. See, http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/SC Revolutionary War Known Battles Skirmishes.htm

two years a resident of the State and District aforesaid who being duly sworn according to law, on his oath says that from his earliest recollection he was well and intimately acquainted with John Bagnal the father of John B. Bagnal and Isaac Bagnal who as he understands have or are about to prosecute the claim against the United States for a Pension for the services of said John Bagnal rendered his country during the Revolutionary war, that he remembers to have seen him frequently whilst engaged in the service -- that he resided very near John Bagnal to was often permitted to visit his homestead and when he made such visit he, affiant, would see him. That he continued to reside in the immediate neighborhood of the said John Bagnal from the close of the revolutionary war until his death which occurred about thirty-one or two years ago viz., in either 1824 or 25.

He further swears that very soon after the close of the revolution the said John Bagnal intermarried with Mary Belton -- that they were married in Camden, South Carolina -- that he although not present when the ceremony was performed yet he met with them on their return from Camden. The exact period of their marriage he does not remember but believes it took place about 8 or 9 years after the close of the war, that they continued to live together as man and wife until his death. That the widow Mary Bagnal departed this life on or about the 10th of January 1841 leaving 4 children issue of said marriage with the said John Bagnal alive at her death, 2 of which have since died and that John B. Bagnal and Isaac Bagnal are the only surviving children of said marriage.

He further swears that the said John Bagnal was engaged in the battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781] to his certain knowledge, that he, affiant, was near enough to hear the firing of the guns when the Battle was fought, he frequently heard the said John Bagnal speak of having been engaged in various other battles but he does not now remember the times or places except Moncks Corner, Wadboo and Georgetown. And that the said John Bagnal for whose services a pension is now claimed is the identical John Bagnal who rendered the services above enumerated.

S/ Thos. Tobias

South Carolina Audited Accounts² relating to John Bagnal AA6 Audited Account Microfilm file No. 227

[p 2] [No.] 62

No. 93

Lib. [Book] W Augt. 3rd 1785

John Bagnal for 314 days Militia Duty as Horseman in 1780 and 1781

Amount £44.17.1 ½ Sterling

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Gentlemen

Please deliver the Bearer Mr. John Dickey the Indents for our Public Accounts & Special Indents for the Interest.

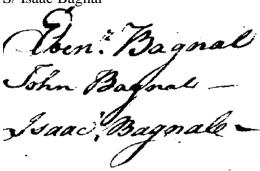
We are Gentlemen your Obedient Servant's

S/ Ebenezer Bagnal

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² The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/.

S/ John Bagnal S/ Isaac Bagnal



[p 5: Form of the Actual Indent No. 93, Book W dated August 3rd, 1785 issued to John Bagnal in the amount of £14.17.1 ½ for militia service.]

[p 6: reverse of the Indent bears, among other things, a faint signature of the veteran as follows: