Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Martin Bailey R394

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State of Kentucky } SS.
County of Monroe }

On this 13th day of June AD. 1851, Before me Parish Lewis, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State above mentioned personally appeared Susannah Bailey aged (85) Eighty Five years a Resident of Monroe County Kentucky, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, to wit, That she was born and raised in Caroline County and State of Virginia, That she was married to Martin Bailey in Surrey [sic: Surry] County North Carolina, on the 7th day of July (1784) Seventeen Hundred and Eighty Four, by one Cager Clarke a magistrate, and that her name before her said marriage was Susannah Robinson, That her said husband Martin Bailey died in Monroe County Kentucky on the 22^d day of June A.D. (1826) Eighteen Hundred and Twenty Six – and that she is still his widow – that the following are the only surviving children of the said Martin Bailey and Susannah Bailey, To wit, Patsy Bailey aged 60 years, Nancy Lester aged 55 years, Lehigh Bailey aged 50 years and John P. Bailey aged 47 years. She also states that she was well and personally acquainted with her late husband Martin Bailey aforesaid from the time of her earliest recollection, and that he served in the war of the Revolution, Virginia Militia.

That he volunteered and turned out to serve fourteen different tours and received fourteen written discharges, which fourteen discharges she has herself seen, but are now all lost or mislaid with the exception of one given by Captain Jeremiah Upshaw and dated Caroline C. H. Virginia, 8 March 1781. She further states that she knows well and of her own self that he served at least two years, as aforesaid, and received the fourteen discharges above stated one of which is hereto annexed. She also states that she was in the Eighteenth year of her age at the time of her marriage with Martin Bailey aforesaid, and that Martin Bailey aforesaid was aged 75 years at the time of his death, She makes the above declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension which is due her from the government of the United States on account of the Military Services of Martin Bailey her deceased husband aforesaid.

Susannah HerXmark Bailey

Caroline Cty Virginia

This is to Certify that Martin Bailie late Resident of North Carolina has Served a Tower of Duty in the present Invasion and is here by Discharged from the same Given under my hand this 8th day of March 1781 Jeremiah Upshaw Capt.

NOTES: Hiram Bailey and Archibald McMillan stated that they had frequently heard Martin Bailey speak of his services and of the battles in which he was engaged. They also certified that a family record in the file and transcribed below was from Martin Bailey's family Bible printed in 1768.

A A Bailey 1841

Edward K Mcmillin was born May the 24^{th} 1794 his hand and pen he will John P Bailey Was Born Aprile The 7^{th} day 1822 A A Bailey Was born May the 10^{th} 1819