Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Preston Hampton R4546 Transcribed by Will Graves Eliza Hampton

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State of Kentucky Grant County

On this day personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the peace in and for said County aforesaid Eliza Hampton a resident of the County of Grant and State of Kentucky aged eighty-four years the 20th day of last June who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th, 1836.

That she is the widow of Preston Hampton who was a soldier in the Virginia line under Captain Cox, Colonel Russell & Major West at the commencement of the revolutionary war and was in the service one tour as private she further declares that she was married to the said Preston Hampton in August 1779 in Loudoun County Virginia After he returned from the first campaign. That he served his tour at Alexandria and went from Loudoun County and after she married the said Preston Hampton they moved to Pyttsevania [Pittsylvania] County Virginia and then he was called into service and served the remainder of the war as Captain of a company under Colonel Lewis and Major Winston that she further declares that the following is her true and genuine family record Elizabeth Hampton daughter of Preston & Eliza Hampton was born May 31st 1780, Edward Hampton was born June 17th 1782, Nancy Hampton was born August the 12th, 1784, Polly Hampton was born March 12th, 1786, James Hampton was born June 17th 1788 and she refers to the records for further evidence of his services and prays that a pension may be granted to her a poor and helpless widow of the revolution. And her husband the aforesaid Preston Hampton died the 10th day of July 1832 and she has remained a widow ever since his death as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. Given under my hand this 19th day of April 1839.

S/Eliza Hampton

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I James Hampton state that I have examined the declaration made by my mother Eliza Hampton and believe it contains the truth from what I have often heard my Father the said Preston Hampton and others say in relation to his services during the war of the revolution. I know that he was reputed and generally believed by his neighbors to have been a soldier of the revolution and the family record referred to by her is her true and genuine family record and was in the

possession of my Father many years before his death and he died at the time stated by her and she has remained a widow ever since his death. Given under my hand this day above written

James Hampton

[p 2: family record:

Elizebeth Hampton Daughter to Preston Hampton & And Eliza his wife was born May $31^{\rm st}$ 1780 Edward Hampton was born June the $17^{\rm th}$ 1782

Nancy Hampton was born the 12th of August in 178 [last digit compromised and illegible] Polly Hampton was born the 12th day of March 1786
James Hampton was born the 17th of June 1788

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