Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Higginbotham (Higgibotham) R4977 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Georgia Elbert County: Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the 3rd Section of the Act of Congress passed the 7th day of June of 1832 also the 4 July 1836 and the 3th [sic] day of March 1837

On this 21 April day of 1855 Personally appeared before the justices of the peace John Higginbotham of the County Hart one of the children of Captain Jacob Higginbotham who was a resident in the State of Virginia Amherst County during the Revolution war 75 years last January aged years [sic] who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made the acts of Congress above named that he is one of the children of Captain Jacob Higginbotham who was one of the captains of the militia sent from the above named state & County to General Green [presumably Nathanael Greene] in North Carolina at the time that the Battle of Gilfford Cort house [Guilford Court House March 15, 1781] but did not reach the said General until the day after the Battle was fought he further declares that according to his Father's record as appears as follows Jacob Hegginbotham [sic] and Anne his wife was married October 18th year 1772

Hannah was born August 27th 1773

James Do Do February 13th, 1775

Jacob Higginbotham Junior born July 6, 1776

John do Do January 9th, 1778

Elisabeth Do Do Do 14th, 1780

Jane Do Do March 3th [sic], 1782

Joseph & Benjamin Do February 27th, 1784

Calep Do Do April 3th [sic] 1787

Anne Do Do December 11th, 1788

William Higginbotham born September 13th, 1790

Rely Do Do Do 22th [sic] 1793

Frances G. Do Do December 11th, 1796

That Jacob Higginbotham Senior died on __ January 1836 as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed he died in Elbert County State of Georgia year above written.

John Higgibotham

Georgia Elbert County: Personally appeared before me Thomas J Maxwell and after being duly sworn saith that he was acquainted with Jacob Higginbotham Senior in his lifetime and that the Family Record is in the handwriting of the said Higginbotham as appears above.

S/ Thomas J Maxwell

S/ George Pulliam, JP