Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Greenberry Lanham R6151
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Catharine Lanham

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State of Kentucky County of Casey: SS

On this 8th day of April 1844 personally appeared before the County Court of Casey Catharine Lanham a resident of Casey County Kentucky aged eighty-one years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7, 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows, that she is the widow of Greenberry Lanham who was a Revolutionary Soldier Either in the Virginia State Line or in the Continental Line of the United States & she thinks he was a Soldier for during the War. She further declares that she was married to the said Greenberry Lanham on the twenty fifth day of May 1785 and that her Husband the aforesaid Greenberry Lanham died on the thirtieth day of November 1800 [text too faint to discern whether or not there was any numerals after "18"]. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794, viz., at the time above stated. Sworn to and subscribed on the Day and year above written.

S/ Catharine Lanham

At the same time & place personally appeared in open Court Mary Coffey aged eighty-three years who was duly sworn according to law & upon her oath states she is sister to Catharine Lanham who has just made her declaration in order to try to draw a pension under the Act of the 7th of July 1838 states she was at her Father's house when her sister Catharine & her Husband Greenberry Lanham started to the preacher's house to get married & was there when they returned & was then & there [one or more words too faint to discern] by all present as Man & wife which was on the 25th day of May 1785 & from the best information, her Husband Greenberry Lanham died November 30th 1801 & that the said Catharine Lanham has never married since & is now a widow.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day & Date above written. S/ Mary Coffey

[p 8: On August 2, 1853 in Casey County Kentucky A J Lanham, Pleasant Lanham, and Mathew Lanham, filed a power of attorney stating that they are the sole heirs of Catharine Lanham deceased late the wife of Greenberry Lanham a revolutionary soldier.]