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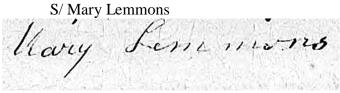
Pension application of John Lemmons (Lemmon) R6281 Mary Lemmons f38VA Transcribed by Will Graves 9/23/13

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State of Virginia Monroe County: SS

On this 29th day of December 1855 personally appeared before me Isaac Campbell, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County of Monroe in the State aforesaid, and also presiding Justice of the County Court of said County of Monroe, which is a Court of record, having general jurisdiction, Mary Lemmons, formerly Mary Carr, a resident of said County of Monroe, aged seventy-seven 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 provisions made by the Act of Congress passed February 3rd, 1853. That she is the widow of John Lemmons, formerly of the County of Rockingham, in the State of Virginia, and who to the best of her knowledge, recollection, information and belief, was a private in the Revolutionary War, and rented service therein. She does not now recollect, and is unable to state at this time in of what troop, or Company, or Regiment, or Corps, or under what Captain, or other officer, or in what particular place or places her said husband served, or when he entered the service, and the time when he left the same or whether he was drafted or was a volunteer, or a substitute, or the battles, if any, he was engaged in, or the Country through which he passed. That her said husband was a resident of the County of Rockingham and State of Virginia when he entered the service, and as she always understood, and verily believes, that he continued for some considerable time (but how long she does not know) in the said service, and was honorably discharged therefrom. That her said husband died leaving no written memorandum, or documentary evidence of any of the above particulars, or facts, connected with his said service, and that there are no living witnesses or witness, that she knows of, by whom the same can be established, and that she is therefore under the necessity of referring, and begs permission to refer to the Records and Rolls of the War Department for such information and proof as may be required in the above the half and which she would otherwise be unable to produce. She further declares that she was lawfully married to the said John Lemmons, in the County of Monroe and State aforesaid on the 2nd day of January 1800 – as by the annexed Certificate of marriage by the clerk of the County court of said County will more fully appear. That her said husband died in the said County of Monroe on the 7th day of February 1841 – that she was married to him at the time above stated. She further swears that she was a widow at the passage of said Act, and is still a widow (having never again intermarried since the death of her said husband) and that she has never before made application for a pension. She further declares, that her said husband died without ever having obtained, or, as she did verily believes, without ever having applied for any pension.



[Thomas Miller and George Lemmons gave a supporting affidavit

[p 2: Certificate dated December 25, 1855 given by the clerk of court of Monroe County Virginia stating that the records of the Reverend John Alderson a minister of the gospel indicate that John Lemmons & Mary Carr were married January 2, 1800.]

[p 4: record dated August 6, 1784 indicating that a warrant for 200 acres was issued to Peter Tardwean assignee of John Lemmon in consideration of Lemmon's service as a soldier in the Illinois Regiment.]

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Council Chamber August 6, 1784

I do Certify that Peter Tardwean assignee of John Lemmon is entitled to the proportion of land allowed a private of the Illinois Regiment who served to the end of the war – S/ Benjamin Harrison S/ Thomas Meriwether

A Warrant No. 3385 for 200 acres issued to Peter Tardwean August 6, 1784

Virginia Land Office Richmond January 3rd, 1857 I hereby certify that the foregoing is a copy from the Records of this Office S/ S. H. Parker, Reg. L. Off.

[p 37: On September 29, 1859 in Monroe County Virginia, Thomas MaCarty, 88, gave testimony that he was well acquainted with John Lemmons or Lemmon and his widow Mary Lemmons; that John Lemmons was reputed as a soldier of the Revolutionary war and had become entitled to a land warrant on account of his service; that he, the affiant, has no doubt that the warrant issued to Peter Tardwean as assignees of John Lemmons was issued with respect to the widow's husband's services.

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This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the 29th day of March 1784 in the name of John Lemmons as Sol'd Inf. [Soldier of Infantry] and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him

was £55.8,delivered to Henry Banks but as the original settlements or copies thereof or not to be found in this office, the term of service embraced therein cannot be stated.

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 17th day of November 1856.

[No Seal of Office]

S/ G. W. Chilton Auditor P. Accts.