Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Meredeth [Meredith] R7118 Elizabeth Meredeth f20VA Transcribed by Will Graves 5/24/13

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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 Continental 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 27th day of May 1784 in the name of David Meredith as a Sol. inf. [Soldier of infantry] and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £34.3.7,delivered to himself 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 16th day of August 1853.

[No Seal of Office]

S/ G. W. Clutter Act'g Auditor

State of Kentucky Rockcastle County

On this the 16th day of April 1850 Before me J. E. Carson a Justice of the peace within & for said County, personally appeared Mrs. Elizabeth Meredeth a resident of said County aged 82 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 February the 22nd 1848 granting pensions to certain widows and any other acts which may provide for her. That she is the widow of David Meredeth who was a soldier in the Army of the Revolution. That he served in the Va line under Captain Andirson [Anderson?] and Colonel Willims [Williams?] in Virginia line: that she has no family register of marriage nor Bible record of marriage or deaths, births –; that her husband served to the close of the war. That he was at the surrender of Lord Coinwallice [Cornwallis, October 19, 1781] and other battles not recollected. That she was married to her said husband David Meredith deceased in Amelia County State of Virginia on the 3rd day of June in the year 1796 [1797?—last digit is written over and includes both 7 and 6]. That her name before her said marriage was Elizabeth Washam. That her said husband died in Amelia County State of Virginia in the year 1815. That she hath never since intermarried and still remains the widow of the said David Meredith deceased. That she has never before made any application for a pension not being informed until recently that she was embraced by any act.

Further to substantiate her claim she very respectfully refers to the original musterrolls of his said Company now on file in the department or in Richmond Virginia and the proof hereunto attached and accompanying this application, which she trust will be sufficient to justify the

Department in granting her said claim.

S/ Elizabeth Meredeth, X her mark

[Keziah King, 52, gave testimony that she is the daughter of David and Elizabeth Meredith; that she has always understood her parents were married in the media County Virginia June 3, 1796; that she was born in Amelia County October 24 1798; that her father died in Amelia County Virginia December 24, 1814. She signed her affidavit with her mark. In the attestation of her affidavit, the justice of the peace making such attestation refers to her as Kezia A. King.]