Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Vincent Moreland R7369 Mary Moreland MD or VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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Henderson County } On this the 1st day of April in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty three personally appeared before the undersigned Absalom McCallum a Justice of the peace within and for the County of Henderson and state aforesaid, Mary Moreland a resident of the County and state aforesaid, aged Eighty four years who being duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of an act of the Congress of the United States passed 7th day of July 1838, and all other suplemental acts passed since the last mentioned date (1838)

That she is the widow of Vincent Moreland, deceased who was a private soldier in the Revolutionary War that he inlisted some time in the year 1780, as she has been informed, that he inlisted during the War and that he served either in the Maryland or Virginia troops which she does not know but that she has been informed and believes that her said husband Vincent Moreland deceased inlisted in the district or Country called the Sugarland which as she has been informed lying near the Potomac river but does not know in what state [Sugarland in Montgomery County MD or possibly Sugarland Run in Loudoun County VA], nor does she know the precise place her said husband Vincent Moreland was mustered in to service but has been informed and verily believes that he served in the Company commanded by Captain Bettis she further states that she has been informed by her said husband in his life time which information she believes was true that a difficulty occured while on the march of the army from Georgetown to Little York between the Lieutenant and Captain to which he the said Vincent Moreland belonged that the Lieutenant killed the Captain of the Company to which he the said Vincent Moreland and they belonged affiant further states that her said husband aforesaid informed her at various times in his life time which information she believes to be true that he was in hearing of the artillery at Little York when Cornwallis was taken [19 Oct 1781] and was marching to that place but did not reach Little York until the next day after he Corn Wallis was taken and that her said husband Vincent Moreland as she has been informed and believes continued in the service in said War from the time he enlisted until peace was made and she the said affiant Mary Moreland further states that she married the aforesaid Vincent Moreland in the County of Rowan State of North Carolina some time in the month of April 1789 by a Justice of the peace his name she does not now recollect, and that she lived with him the said Vincent Moreland as his wife until his death, which took place in the County of Henderson in the state of Tennessee aforesaid, on the 7th day of June AD 1838, affiant further states that she knows of no record public or private by which she could prove her said marriage and that she knows of no person that was at her marriage, that is now living and that she will have to depend upon character for proof of her said marriage and the records of Maryland and Virginia, now in the war office of the United States for proof of her said husbands service in said Revolutionary war, that she cannot recollect precise dates for the reason she cannot write and has always had to depend upon recollection

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NOTE: On 1 April 1853 Mary Moreland also made an application identical to the above for a pension under the act of 1832, which provided for soldiers but not widows. Samuel Moreland, 57, fourth child of Mary Moreland, stated that she had lived with him since the death of his father. On the same day William Pratt, 66, of Decatur County TN, stated that the oldest child of Vincent and Mary Moreland was about 20 in 1810 when he first knew the family.