Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Patrick O'Neal R7755 Mary fn22NC
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State of North Carolina Johnston County

On this the 26 day of August 1845 personally appeared in open Court Elizabeth Bailey a resident of the County and state aforesaid – and maketh the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed on the 4th day of July 1836.

And being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath declare that she is forty-six years old and that she is the daughter of Mary O'Neal who was the widow of Patrick O'Neal who was a soldier in the Revolutionary War in the militia of North Carolina and that he served two years at different times which time she cannot specify but which she distinctly recollects to have heard him say he served two years and that her said father Patrick O'Neal was married to her said mother Mary O'Neal (whose maiden name was Mary Rogers) in the County of Edgecombe of said State in the year 1772, three or four and that she has heard them say that they had three children when he served in the war and she further saith that her said Father and Mother had ten children and that she herself is the youngest child and she further saith that her said Father died in the year 1835 leaving her said Mother Mary O'Neal a widow and that she remained a widow up to the date of her death which occurred on the 13th day of March 1843, and was at that [time] 95 years old and she further saith that her said Father Patrick O'Neal was at the time of his death about 90 years old and she further saith that she herself and her sister Tamsey who married one George Boyett are all the children that survived her said Mother Mary O'Neal – and that she supposes the reason her said Mother never applied for a pension was that she did not know she was entitled – and that she now makes an application for what was due her said Mother for the services of her said Father Patrick O'Neal and that she for herself and sister does hereby relinquish all claim to a pension except the present.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year above written.

S/Thomas Bagley, CCC

S/ Elizabeth Baily, X her mark

[fn p. 2: on August 28, 1845 in Johnston County, North Carolina, Tamsey Boyett, 69, filed an affidavit stating she is the daughter of Mary Ann Patrick open Neil; that she has made diligent search for the ages of her father's children and can find no record thereof; she recalls having heard her father and mother say they had three children born at the time of the revolutionary war;

and that she has heard her father talk of his sufferings and hardships during the revolutionary war.]

[fn p. 11: George Boyett, 75, a resident of Johnston County gave testimony that he was well acquainted with Patrick O'Neill for more than 40 years; that Patrick O'Neal or the reputation of having been a soldier in the revolutionary war; that he recalls many times having heard Patrick O'Neal state of having served in the revolutionary war and heard Patrick O'Brien say he served with two of his neighbors, Joel Horn and Sasser Kene, during the revolution.]