Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Prichard R8490 Mary fn44NC
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State of Georgia County of Union: Be it known that before me the Edward Rogers a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and state aforesaid, personally appeared James C. Prichard aged 36 years a resident of the County of Union and State of Georgia who being cautioned and then sworn in due form of law states on oath that he is the son and heir of James Prichard who was a Revolutionary Soldier of the State of North Carolina and that he continued in actual service about 16 months, in said War, and that he died on or about the 4th day of June A.D. 1838, and that his Mother named Mary Prichard died on or about the 8th day of May A.D. 1840 and that they were married the __ day of __ in the year __, and that they were residents of the County of Burke in the State of North Carolina and that they resided there 40 years. That the said James C. Prichard resides in the County of Union and State aforesaid and he further states that there is seven other children of the said James Prichard deceased named as follows, Sarah, Susan, Phila, Alfred, Lucinda, Thomas and Elizabeth only surviving heirs.

And further more by these Presents, the said James C. Prichard do you revoke of may constitute appoint and fully empower and authorized William R. Query of the County of Union and State of Georgia his true and lawful Attorney for him and in his name and stead to examine into to prosecute to demand and to receive from the proper Officers of the United States Government, all his rights in any manner of claim for pension or a pension or land that may be due him as son and heir of James Prichard, deceased who died leaving the same undrawn as in rights of law custom or equity he is or may be entitled.

In witness whereof he has on this 2nd day of July A.D. 1853, hereunto signed his name and affixed his seal.

Attest S/ Thomas M. Hughes

S/ James C. Prichard {Seal}

S/ John C. Dunca

State of Georgia County of Union: On this 9th Day of August A.D. 1854, Personally appeared before me John Hayes a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Lincefield Parks aged 91 years a Resident of Union County in the State of Georgia, Personally known to me who being duly sworn according to law deposes and saith on oath that he was well acquainted with James Prichard [spelled Pritchard this time but afterwards spelled as set forth hereinafter] of Burke County in the State of North Carolina that he became acquainted with the said James Prichard in the year of 1779 -- in the last named County and State, where said Prichard then resided, and that said James Prichard was always considered and believed to be and Deponent believes was a Revolutionary Soldier from North Carolina by the Community so

considered, and Deponent States his father Benjamin Parks, was a Revolutionary Soldier and a Captain in said War and a Pensioner of the United States and that Deponent's Father always recognized and said that the said James Prichard was a Revolutionary Soldier, and that deponent never heard of or knew any other man by the name of James Prichard in the State of North Carolina or anywhere else and that James Prichard above named was actually living in the time of the said War from the fact that Deponent in his earliest Recollection at the close of the Revolutionary War knew said Prichard and that he was fully old enough to have been in said war, and that James Prichard, Alfred Prichard, Thomas Prichard, Lucinda Prichard, and Elizabeth Prichard -- are the children & heirs & only surviving children and was always treated as such by said James Prichard above named, and Deponent further states that he is disinterested in the application of James Prichard to pension.

S/ Joseph Hays, JP

S/ Lincefield Parks

[fn p. 15: certificate from the North Carolina Comptroller's office regarding payments made to one James Prichard during the revolutionary war for military service. The certificate is dated February 16 1857.]

[facts in file: fn p. 41: in a filing dated December 10, 1856, Elisabeth Man signed an affidavit is along with her siblings named in the application in which she states she is one of the children of James and Mary Prichard.]

State of Georgia County of Union: On this the 18th day of July A.D. 1857 personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the Superior Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, James C. Prichard Administrator of James Prichard Senior deceased, a Resident of the County of Union, to me well-known and who is entitled to credit, who being by me duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith that he is the son and heir of James Prichard deceased who was a Revolutionary Soldier of the State of North Carolina, that his father James Prichard deceased above named was married twice, And that Sally Branch, Susannah Wikle, Phobe Prichard and Catherine Shank are the only surviving children of the first wife, And that Alfred Prichard, Thomas Prichard, Lucinda Prichard, Elizabeth Mann and James C. Prichard (the deponent) are the only surviving children by his father's 2nd and last wife (Mary Prichard deceased).

The deponent does not know of any person or living witness that can testify as to the heirship of the children of the first wife, from the fact that the children by his father's first wife were born in Burke County in the State of North Carolina, and that the aforesaid children by the first wife, have, removed to such a distance -- from the Country where they were born and -- acquainted, that this deponent does not know by what means, he could prove, the heirship of the children of alluded to, And that he was informed that the children by the first wife had no rights to participate in the distribution of the pension money, that may now be found due from the Government. That as Mary Prichard deponent's Mother was entitled to receive the same at the death of James Prichard the Soldier, that the children would take the same equally to the exclusion of the children by the first wife, And that this is the reason why the children of the first wife as named in the Declaration were omitted to be named in the certificate of Court, based upon the affidavit of Mr. Plep and Hise: And that there is no efforts being made, nor no means used in order, to exclude any of the said pairs from receiving their a portable share: that may be decided by the Pension Department, they are entitled to receive.

S/ James C. Prichard

¹ Benjamin **Parks** S31897