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Pension Application of George Blaine (Blane) R929

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State of Virginia, Nelson County to witt.

On this 26 day of March eighteen hundred & fifty one (1851) before me John Horsley a Justice of the peace, in and for said County, personally appeared Mrs. Rachael Blane, a Resident of said County Aged 78 years as she states who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the acts of Congress, passed on the 7th of July 1838, March 3^d. 1843, June 17th 1844, and Feb'y 2nd 1848 granting half pay and pensions to widows of Revolutionary officers and soldiers who served during the Revolutionary war.

That she is the widow of George Blane dec'd of said County who enlisted as a regular soldier from the then County of then County of Amherst – now Nelson – under Capt Jacob Brown who was a recruiting officer in the County at the time and that he the said Geo. Blane served 18 months at one time to the south; and that he was either in the same company with Hezekiah Hargrove [pension application S5481], or in the same Reg't. or service with him – as they both went in the service about the same time. That her husband was also in service at the battles of the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781], and at Guilford Court House [15 Mar 1781]; and at one time in the war was a commissary, down about Jamestown in Virginia. That she was married to the aforesaid Geo. Blane in the then County of Amherst on the [blank] day of March 1789 or 90; and that her husband the aforesaid Geo. Blane died in said County of the [blank] day of May 1817: That she was not married to him prior to the expiration of his last term of service; but the marriage took place previous to the 1st day of Jan'y 1794 – and that her maiden name was Demasters – all of which will appear by reference to the proof annexed. Rachael herXmark Blane

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On this 25th day of September 1848, before me James S. Dillard a Justice of the peace, in and for said County, personally appeared Charles Purvis, a respectable resident of said County who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath say – That he is 86 years old, and was acquainted with George Blane dec'd of said County, who married Rachael Demasters, of then Amherst County some 4 to 6 years after the close of the Revolutionary War – and he knows the fact, that the said George Blane went in to the service during the Revolutionary war – and was in service with Hezekiah Hargrave of said county, who was a United States pensioner – and he the deponant is of the opinion, from the best of his recollection, that the said Geo. Blane was the Battle of King's Mountain [7 Oct 1780] and also the Battle of Guilford – but that he can not say whether it was Cap. Jacob Brown, that he served under or not – nor can he say with any certainty how long he served in all – but that he was in service on the two occasions spoken of above to witt, Kings Mountain and Guilford. Said Geo Blane died in said County about 37 years ago and that his widow Rachael – maiden name Demasters – is still alive. she was sometimes called Masters.

Charles hisXmark Purvis

NOTE: The file includes a copy of a bond dated 3 Mar 1790 by George Blaine (as he signed) and Samuel Hill for the marriage of "George Blaine Widower" to "Elis Stev Rachl Masters Spinster," both of Amherst County.