Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Bailey Johnson [Johnston] W4006 Hannah Johnson f40VA Transcribed by Will Graves 12/28/13

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State of Ohio Ross County: SS

On this 15th day of October 1838 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting in and for said County of Ross, Hannah Johnson, a resident of Twin Township in said County aged seventy-three 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 July 7, 1838 entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows:" That she is the Widow of Bailey Johnson deceased who was a Soldier and Sergeant in the Army of the Revolution, and she believes was enlisted for during the war and belonged to the Pennsylvania Line, under Colonel Nevil [perhaps John Neville], but is not positive, and that he was taken a prisoner, by the British, and ran away from them near the close of the war, and returned to the American camp and delivered himself up to Colonel Powel, but was not required to perform duty till the close of the war – She further declares that she was married to the said Bailey Johnson about the month of January in the year 1783 or 1784 in Fauquier County in the State of Virginia, and removed with him to the State of Pennsylvania where she lived with him until his death, which took place in the month of September 1805. That she was not married to the said Bailey Johnson tried to his leaving the service but her marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794, viz. at the time above stated, but of her marriage or the services of her late husband, she has no documentary evidence, or other evidence, except the deposition of Jane Johnson who was present when our marriage took place. That she has never been married since the death of her late husband, Bailey Johnson. That after the death of her said husband she received a Warrant for 400 acres of land on account of the services of her said Husband.

S/ Hannah Johnson, X her mark

[p 6: On October 15, 1838 in Ross County Ohio, Jane Johnson a resident of Twin Township in said County gave testimony that she was acquainted with Bailey Johnson and his wife Hannah (late Hannah Muffett) before they were married; that she was present at their marriage in January 1783 or 1784 in Fauquier County Virginia; that Bailey Johnson died in Pennsylvania in September 1805. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 8: family record] The Ages of Hannah Johnston's Children Metildey Johnston was Born December the 19th in the year of our Lord 1781 dead Adin Johnston was Born in November the 7th day in the year of our Lord 1783 dead John Johnston was Born in December the 10th day in the year of our Lord 1786 Daniel Johnston was Born in April 20th day in the year of our Lord 1789 William Johnston was born in July the 18th day in the year of our Lord 1791 Melinday Johnston was Born in July the 11th day in the year of our Lord 1793 James Johnston was Born in November the 22nd day in the year while Lord 1795 Eligah Johnston was Born in November the 6th Day in the year of our Lord 1798 Jesse Johnston was Born in June the 6th day in the year of our Lord 1799 Henery Johnston was Born in Made the 6th day in the year of our Lord 1801 Beilley Johnston was Born in August the 6th day in the year of our Lord 1802

Copied from the [word obliterated by an ink blot] in March 18th 1808 I certify the above to be the same paper from which I copied the names of the children of Hannah Johnson widow of Bailey Johnson deceased in her last declaration forwarded by me to the War Office. Attest

Chillicothe October 21st 1839

Peter Patterson, JP

The age of Metilday Gates Children
Grand Children to Hannah Johnston
Belley Gates was Born in August the first day in the year of our Lord 1800
Hannah Gates was Born in September the 5th day in the year of our Lord 1801

The State of Ohio Ross County SS

personally appeared before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid Hannah Johnson who after being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that this is the original paper of the ages of her children and that the ages as set down on the other side is just and true as stated and further this deponent saith not. Sworn to and subscribed before made this 19th day of October A.D. 1839

S/ Allen Cochran, JP

S/ Hannah Johnson, X her mark

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia] 2-page file: the first document in the file appears to be a letter dated September 5th, 1812 from Hannah Johnson but the body of the letter is so poorly reproduced that it can only be partially read. I have not attempted to transcribe it.

Land office October 1812

I do hereby Certify that Bailey Johnson entered into the Service of the United States as a Private in the year 1776 for the War, was afterwards promoted to the rank of Sergeant & served as such to the end of the war.

Given under my hand this 31st of October 1812

S/ James Wood, formerly B. Genl. Cont'l Army

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