Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Reuben McLeroy W5360 Christiania McLeroy f29NC Transcribed by Will Graves 2/22/09: rev'd 1/28/17

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State of Georgia Harris County

On this the 24th day of June 1851, personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County, Christiania McLeroy a resident of said County aged 92 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836: That she is the widow of Reuben McLeroy, who was a private in the North Carolina Militia, in the War of the Revolution, under Capt. Wood [Solomon Wood] and a Col. Malmedy [Francis de Malmedy, Marquis of Bretagne] (a Frenchman), that she now recollects the names of and the other officers whose names are now forgotten, that her husband, the said McLeroy served two three or more terms of service in said War, one term 3 or 6 months, as a drafted man, and one or more 3 or 6 months tours, as a volunteer that they lived in Wake County, North Carolina when her husband entered the service, the time not recollected, but it was after her marriage to the said McLeroy, that her husband during one term of his service was in a skirmish with the British or Tories at Cross Creek NC and during one of our term of his service, he was in the battle at Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781], that she has no documentary evidence of his services. She further declares that she was married to the said Reuben McLeroy in Wake County North Carolina on the __day of April 1776 that her husband the aforesaid Reuben McLeroy died on the 12th day of February 1820 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year of written before me.

S/ Wm Hartsfield S/ James Cox, JP

S/ Christiania McLeroy, X her mark

[pp 3-4: family record]

Rachel Mckleroy was born 2nd June 1791

Jesse Mckleroy was born the 3^{rd} of July 1793

Tomey Mckleroy was born the 19th September 1795

Polley Mckleroy was born the 19th September 1795

Rebecah Mckleroy was born the 19 of Apriel 1798

Sally Mckleroy was born the 1st of March 1801

Esther Mckleroy was Born August 1th 1804

Rachel Johnson was Born in June 26th 1811

Gile Mckleroy was Born the 11th of Apriel 1779

Annes Mckleroy was Born 28th of August 1781

Betsey Mckleroy was born March 3rd 1784

James Mckleroy was born July 2nd 1786

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Nathan Mckleroy was born 16 September 1788 Giles M Klerry was Born

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[p 6, Rebecca McLeroy, 52, gave an affidavit on June 24 1851 in Harris County Georgia in support of the petition of her mother in which she states her recollection of her father's services under Col. Malmedy, at Cross Creek and at the battle of Guilford Court House. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p. 6, William Hartsfield, 52 gave a similar affidavit dated June 24, 1851, also given in Harris County. In this affidavit he states as to his recollection of the statements of his father, Richard Hartsfield, regarding the services of Reuben McLeroy during the Revolution. Hartsfield states in part as follows: "that he has heard his father in his lifetime frequently speak of serving in the War of the Revolution in company with Reuben McLeroy, Christiania McLeroy's deceased husband, that his father Richard Hartsfield has frequently told him that he was in a skirmish in company with Reuben McLeroy where they encountered a Company of Tories and rescued John McLeroy, Reuben McLeroy's brother from them that he has heard his father frequently speak of being present when Reuben McLeroy assisted in taking the irons off of his brother John McLeroy that he has no doubt that Reuben McLeroy served his Country Faithfully in the Revolutionary War...."

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[p 9: Affidavit dated December 12, 1851 given in Harris County Georgia by Nathan McLeroy, 63, son of Reuben and Christiania McLeroy; he relates that his father died in Jones County Georgia in 1828. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[p 11: On March 12, 1852 in Oglethorpe County Georgia, Mary Sims, 78, gave testimony that she was living with her parents in Wake County North Carolina when Reuben and Christiana

McLeroy were married in said Wake County; that Reuben was the brother of the deponent's mother. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 17: Affidavit dated June 25, 1851 given in Harris County Georgia by Thomas McLeroy, 55, some of Reuben McLeroy; he relates his recollection of his father's statements regarding his services in the Revolution.

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[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for her husband service as a private for one year in the North Carolina State Troops.]