## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Broughton (Braughton) W5929 Polly fn59NC Transcribed by Will Graves 10/7/10

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June the 1852

State of North Carolina County of Wake

Mrs. Polly Broughton aged 82 years this day personally appeared before me the undersigned an acting Justice of the Court of Please and Quarter Sessions in & for said County of Wake who being first duly sworn according to law deposeth as follows – to wit in order to receive the benefit of the act of Congress passed 2 February the 1848 or 29 of July 1848 in order to receive a pension for the Revolutionary Service of her deceased husband Joseph Broughton or Braughton in the Militia of North Carolina 4 tours of 3 months each making in all 12 months Service for which he received an Honorable discharge which she has often seen. Her said husband resided or lived in Nash North Carolina when he joined the Services & served in Nash, Halifax & Wilmington. She declares that her maiden name was Miss Polly Stansell or Stancil or Stansil and was married in the County of Johnson [sic, Johnston] North Carolina before the 4 day of January 1797 – the said date being the birth of her 1st child by her said husband whose name is Elizabeth Broughton which is - recorded in an old Bible annexed dated 1825 - together with the ages of all of her children to with Elizabeth, John, Sally, Benjamin, Jesse, Stephen & Joseph. She claims the benefit of the act of Congress made and provided in such cases. She declares that she has remained a widow ever since her said husband's death who departed this life in the date 1814 in the County of Johnson North Carolina. She declares that the record annexed was copied from an older record which is now & has been lost many years ago.

She declares that she has often many years ago same her husband's discharge for said services but has been lost long since. She renders as a reason for not heretofore applied for a pension that she was not married before the date 1794 and was not entitled to the benefit of the former acts.

Subscribed & sworn to before me

S/ Polley Broughton

[fn p. 7: Jesse Broughton, testified that he is the son of Joseph and Polly Broughton; that he was born November 7 1806; that the record of the births of the children of his parents is in the

handwriting of John Hardy who copied it from the old original Bible now lost; and that he has seen the discharge of his father for his services in the revolution but it has been lost for many years.]

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North Carolina Johnston County

John Hardy a credible witness this day personally appeared before me Lunsford Richardson one of the Acting Justices of the peace of said County and maketh oath that this record found in this Bible in my own hand writing Bible dated 1825 drawn from an original record the names of the children of Joseph Broughton and Polly Broughton his wife:

Elizabeth Broughton born Jannay 4 the 1797

John Broughton Born Janney 2 the 1799

Sally Broughton born Oct. 13 the 1801

Benjamin Broughton born Apil 9 the 1804

Jesse Broughton born Nov 7 1806

Stephen Broughton born march 21 1809

Joseph Broughton born Feb. 4 the 1812

Sworn to and subscribed this 2nd day of August 1852 S/ John Hardy

[Veteran's widow was allowed a pension of \$23.75 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848 for the services of her husband in the revolution.]