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Pension application of William Hext (Hixt) W7593¹ Ann Graham² fn57SC Transcribed by Will Graves 1/3/11/ rev'd 1/5/11

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[Note: The Footnote.com file indexed under the name "Hext" contains none of this applicant's papers. That file erroneously includes the papers of three different veterans namely: fn pp. 2-24: John Anthony. Hidecker or Heydecker S32317(SC); fn pp. 25-44: Allen Heydon, S29220 (CT); and fn pp. 45-57: David Heydon S43668(CT). The following transcription was made solely from the Selected Records found on HeritageQuest.com. If anyone locates the digital image is of this file on Footnote.com, please let me know. In]

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1786 "William Hext & Ann Hartley were married by licensed June 29th"

I do hereby Certify that the above is a correct copy from the Record Book of St. Michael's Church. Given under my hand this 18th day of August in the year of our Lord 1847.

S/ Tho: Jno: Young[?]
Asst. Minister
of St. Michael's Church

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Received 21st June 1837 of the Bounty Land Office of the United States, at Washington Land Warrant No. 2179 for 300 acres of land issued to me, as Son and sole devisee of William Hext deceased who was a Captain in the South Carolina line in the Revolutionary War.

S/ James H. Hext

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District of Columbia Washington County, to wit: On this twenty first day of August in the year 1847, personally appeared before the [one or more words obliterated], assistant Judge of the Circuit Court of the United States for the aforesaid District, Mrs. Ann Graham, a resident of the City of Richmond in the State of Virginia, aged seventy-seven years, who being first duly sworn,

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¹ BLWt2179-300

² Former widow

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 seven, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows" -; That she is the widow of William Hixt, who was a Captain in the revolutionary Army, and who died in May 1790 at Buckhall, Stono Parish, in the State of South Carolina – that the said William Hixt served under General Pinckney, and was wounded at Stono ferry in Stono Parish in said State of South Carolina – that the said William Hixt, her husband, was taken prisoner at the siege of Charleston in said State of South Carolina, and was kept and detained as a prisoner, by the British, at Haddrell's Point, until the peace of 1783 – that the said William Hixt was born in South Carolina, and that he lived, and died in said State – that her son, and the son of said William Hixt, to which, James Hartley Hixt, now of the State of Texas in 1835 or 1837, through the Honorable Robert S. Hayne of South Carolina, applied to the Pension Office of the United States for, and obtained the bounty lands, to which he was entitled by virtue of the Revolutionary services of his father, the said William Hixt – That this deponent subsequently in May, 1790, the period of her said husband's death, removed from South Carolina to Virginia, to Amelia County, and that in said County her dwelling house was destroyed by fire, and the family records and her husband's papers burnt up, so that she is unable to produce documentary evidence as to the service of her said deceased husband.

And this deponent further declares and makes oath as aforesaid, that she was married to the said William Hixt in the month of June, in the year 1786, and that her husband the aforesaid William Hixt died in May 1780: that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but that the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794, viz. at the time above stated – that the family record containing the time and date of her said marriage was destroyed at the time of the aforesaid fire, and that her husband's commission she believes to have been burnt up at the same time.

And this deponent further declares and makes oath as aforesaid that although married a second and a third time, yet that she has been a widow for more than 15 years last past, and that she is now a widow, and she further declares that she believes that none of her contemporary acquaintances at the time of her said marriage are now living.

S/ Ann Graham

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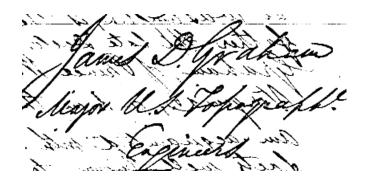
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Washington September 4th, 1847

I James D Graham of the Army of the United States, certify that Mrs. Ann Graham, whose declaration for a pension has been shown to me this day in the Pension office at Washington, is the widow of my father the late Doctor William Graham, of Prince William County Virginia, and in that relation I am acquainted with the following facts well known to all our family; namely

That the said Mrs. Ann Graham was first married to William Hext of South Carolina in or about the year 1786. That the said William Hext was an officer of the Army of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

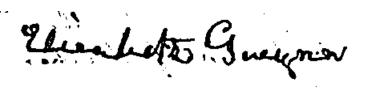
She subsequently, (after the death of the said William Hext) married Peyton Gwynn of Virginia, and after his death, she married my father Doctor William Graham of Prince William County, Virginia, and that she is at this time his widow.



[HQ p. 12; fn p. 13: the last will and testament of William Hext of St. Paul's Parish, SC; he makes reference to his wife Ann Hext and her grandmother Mrs. Margaret Williams; his son, James Hartley Hext; his daughter Elizabeth Hext; his uncle, Thomas Osborn; he named his uncle Thomas Osborn, William Somarsall, John Wilson and James Hartley his executors.]

[fn p. 15] District of Columbia Washington County, to wit:

On the twenty first day of August in the year 1847 personally appeared before the subscriber and associate Judge of the Circuit Court of the United States for the aforesaid District, Miss. Elizabeth Gwynn, now a resident of the District aforesaid, aged 55 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath depose: That she hath known Mrs. Ann Graham, the declarant for a pension, since the earliest period of her recollection – that she lived in the same house with the said Mrs. Ann Graham for many years – that she lived 13 or 14 years with Mr. William B Giles formerly United States Senator from Virginia; who married the daughter of the said Mrs. Ann Graham by the second husband – that the said Mrs. Ann Graham also resided at that time with the said William B Giles – that during that time, the wife of the said William B Giles pay a visit to her half brother Mr. James Hartley Hixt and to her half-sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Primrose, whose maiden name was Hixt, and both of whom were the children of the said Mrs. Ann Graham, by her first husband, William Hixt – that the said Mrs. Giles was in the constant and invariable habit of calling the said James Hartley Hixt and the said Elizabeth Primrose, brother and sister – that she, this deponent has frequently seen letters from the said Mrs. Elizabeth Primrose to the said Mrs. Giles, [indecipherable word, looks like "atyling"] her as sister – that she, this deponent, has also seen letters from the said James Hartley Hixt and the said Elizabeth Primrose to the said Mrs. Ann Graham, in which the said Mrs. Ann Graham was addressed as their mother – that she, this deponent, has during her hold them intimate in the family of the said Mrs. Ann Graham, and has heard frequently and often from many different sources, the fact of the marriage of the said Mrs. Ann Graham at a very early age to Mr. William Hixt of the revolutionary Army mentioned – that she, the deponent, has never from any quarter ever heard the fact of said marriage doubted or questioned – that a son of said Mr. James Hartley Hixt, who was the son of said William Hixt by said Mrs. Ann Graham, in this he said County of Amelia, and constantly addressed the said Mrs. Ann Graham as grandmother – that the dwelling house of the said Mrs. Ann Graham in said County of the media was destroyed by fire and the family records burnt up – that she, this deponent, knows the fact of the marriage of the said Mrs. Ann Graham to the said William Hicks [sic] as well as she knows any event, which she has not personally witness, and that she has no more doubt of the fact of said marriage and she has of the existence of the said Mrs. Ann Graham.



[Note: On 1/5/11, I found the Footnote.com version of his veteran's file indexed under the name "Hixt" under the SC pension applications.]