Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Robert Green W8866 Frances Green VA
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State of Kentuckey }
Fleming County }

Be it known that on this third day of December Eighteen Hundred and Thirty nine Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in the county of Fleming and State of Kentuckey Frances Green a resident of Fleming County & state of Kentuckey aged seventy four years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on her oath make the Following Decleration In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th July 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows. That she is a daughter of Colo. William Edmonds Late of Fauquier County Virginia [Militia], and the Widow of Robert Green the son of the late Colo. John Green of Culpeper County and State aforesaid and the said Robert Green was the only one of the name of Robert except my son who was in the last war [of 1812] at Crany [sic: Craney] Island near Norfolk – and that Robert Green my Husband was a Lieutenant during the War of the revolution in the Virginia Continental Line and receivd Land for his services in the said War in the state of Ohio, and she was personally acquainted with her Husband the said Robert Green before and during the War as they were first cousins their mothers being sisters and have been informed by him and others that he served under his Father Colo. John Green and was in the servis at least five years as a Lieutenant on the Virginia Continental line and she refers to the records on file for evidence of his services; she further declares that she was married to the said Robert Green in Fauquier County and state of Virginia In the summer of seventeen Hundred and Eighty seven the day and month not recollected, at this time but she is of the Impression that her marriage took place about the first of August and she refers to the records of Fauquier County and state of virginia for evidence of her marriage, as she has no family record of her marriage and presents the family record of the ages of her children which is in the hand writing of her Husband the said Robert Green, which shews that he daughter Susanna Eliza Payne late Susanna Eliza Green was borne on the ninth of January seventeen Hundred Eighty nine and she was Legally married to her Father Previous to her Birth and that her Husband Robert Green aforesaid died in the month of June seventeen Hundred and ninety one the day of the month not at this time recollected, and she has remained a Widow ever since his Death

That she was not marrid to him Prior to his leaving the servises but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January seventeen Hundred and ninty four, viz. at the time above stated

[signed] Frances Green

[The following is a certification of a power of attorney dated 31 Oct 1807 from William Edmonds of Fauquier County, guardian of Susanna Eliza Green and Robert Green, for the purpose of obtaining bounty land.]

I do Certify that the within mentioned Robert Green was an officer in the Birginia Continental line and served to the end of the late war with Great Britain. I was well acquainted with him and his family, that the within named Susana Eliza Green and Robert Green are infants, and the only legal Representatives of said

Robert Green James Williams

Teste late Cap'n. 6th Va. Reg't. Cont'l. line

William Williams Soldiers Rest Oct'r 31st 1807

James Williams Jr

Soldiers rest Aug't. 13th 1819

I do hereby certifie that in October 1775, being in Williamsburg with a regiment of minute men I saw Robert Green dressed in the uniform of the first Virginia regiment, and that he remained with said regiment for some time, but cannot say how long. I further certifie that he served with the army under

General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] to the South as a subaltern officer & I believe continued to the end of the war.

James Williams

I do certify that I was acquainted with Robert Gree late an officer in the american revolution (now dec'd) I do not recollect the particular time of his entering in the services of his country, but well recollect that from the time of his first entering the american army he continued to the end of the war. Given under my hand this 17th August 1819

Jo. Blackwell late Capt [Joseph Blackwell S37781]

American revolution

At request I certify that Robert Green, dec'd. of the county of Culpeper State of Virginia, & son of the late Colo. Jn'o. Green of the army of the Revolution, entered the army at an early period of the war, & continued to perform service to the end of the war; he held his commission at the close of the war. He was at Williamsburg as a Cadet when the forces first assembled there in seventeen hundred & seventy six; he was on the Ohio in seventeen hundred & seventy nine or Eighty with Colo. Slaughter [George Slaughter in Gen. George Rogers Clark's Illinois Regiment] as an Ensign, & in senventeen hun'd. & eighty or eighty one returned to Virginia; he was in Carolina at the battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] & other places under Colo. John Green, for which service he received Bounty Land from Virginia that was due a Lieut. for three yrs. service in Virginia Line. He was an Elder Brother of this affiant & died in my house in said County of Culpeper in the year seventeen hun'd. & eighty nine. He married Miss Frances Edmonds the Daughter of the late Colo. William Edmonds of Fauquier County in August 1787. Mrs. Frances Green the widow of Robt. Green Dec'd. went to Kentucky about sixteen yrs. ago & settled near the Blue Licks, as I have been informed & is now living as witness my hand & seal this 26 day of Feby 1840

Moses Green

[Referred to as Gen. Moses Green in the court certification.]

I Henry Vance pensioner [see endnote] from Westmoreland County State of Pensylvania do certify that I was well acquainted with Lieutenant Robert Green of the Revolutionary war of the Virginia continental service and that the said Robert Green was in the following battles with me viz the Battle of Princeton [3 Jan 1777] the Battle of Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] and the battle of Guildford Courthouse [sic: Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] &c and served under Green Morgan and Sullivan [generals Nathanael Greene, Daniel Morgan, and John Sullivan] and that he was a brave soldier and that he was promoted as a captain before the battle of yorktown [Siege of Yorktown, 28 Sep-19 Oct 1781] and served till the close of the war and was honorably discharged witness my hand this fifth day of December 1840

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session, 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 21st day of June 1783, in the name of Robert Green as Lieut of Infantry for €35.19.8, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782. To Wit pay as Ens [Ensign] from 1st Sept 80 to 10 July 1781 & as Lt. from 10 July 1781 to 31st Decem 1781.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 18th day of January 1841.

Jas E Heath AUDITOR, Va.

I also further certify that it appears from a List of Officers names who have received Certificates for one and two years advanced pay agreeable to Act of Assembly passed November Session 1781 That a

certificate issued on the 20th day of May 1782 for £90.0.0 in the name of Robert Gree n Ensign of Infantry in the Continental Line, which certificate appears to have been delivered to Gen'l Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg].

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond this 18th day of January 1841.

Jas E Heath Aud Va

NOTES:

No pension applicant named Henry Vance was found.

According to the pension application of Reuben Stout (S14574), Robert Green was in 1781 Lieutenant in the company of Philip Sansum, who was in the Regiment commanded by Col. Richard Parker

On 4 Dec 1839 Susanna Eliza Payne stated that her father had received for his services bounty land near the Miami River in Ohio.

The file includes a receipt dated 15 Aug 1787 for a bond for the marriage of Robert Green and Frances Edmonds.

On 25 Feb 1811 in Fauquier County VA Frances Green certified that the only children of Robert Green were Susanna E. Payne, born 10 Jan 1789 and married to Robert Payne on 26 Oct 1809, and Robert Green, born 23 Feb 1790.

On 4 Feb 1851 Robert Payne of Oak Woods P.O. in Fleming County KY wrote that Frances Green had died in March 1845, that her only two children, Robert Green and Susannah Eliza Green Payne (his wife), were both dead, and that the only heirs were the children of Susannah and himself.

There is a file pertaining to Capt. Robert Green in <u>bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia</u>, including the original of the above certificate by Joseph Blackwell, but the online images are difficult to decipher and apparently provide little additional information.]