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State Bounty-Land Application of Edward Jackson VAS73

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At a court held for the county of Lewis on Tuesday the first day of January 1833 by the justices of the said county. It appearing to the satisfaction of said court by the declarations of sundry respectable Individuals under oath that Edward Jackson of Lewis county who was a soldier in the Virginia line on Continental service died in December 1828 in said County. That he did on his death bed Execute and deliver to his son Cummins E Jackson an instrument in substance as follow Viz. "I Edward Jackson being sick and weak of body but of sound mind do make and ordain this my last will That is to say, I hereby appoint my son Cummins E Jackson to sell 2000 acres of land which I own on the Gladly fork of little Kenhaw [sic: Gladly Creek on Little Kanawha River] to pay my funeral expenses, and all the residue of my land after my death to pay my just debts. hereby revoking all former wills witness my hand and seal this 24 day of December 1828.

Edw'd. Jackson

Sealed and delivered in presence of D. W. Sleeth/ Jacob Cozerd/ Henry Jackson [see endnote]

The said will was presented to the County Court of Lewis County in 1829 for probate and was lost or mislaid before recorded

That the said Cummins has been selling lands by virtue of said will ever since all of which is ordered to be certified to the Register of the land office at Richmond

It is further ordered to be certified that Cummins E Jackson James M Jackson Return J – Andrew J – Edward – John – David E – Catharine – Rachel – Margaret – Mary – Rebecca and Eliza are the surviving children of said Edward

Lewis County to wit

This day James Brown [see endnote] of said County personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for said county and made oath that he is now 77 years of age that he was acquainted with Edward Jackson in the lifetime of said Edward That he knew him well for fifty years That he has often heard said Jackson declare that he served during the whole of the revolutionary war from 1776 untill the close in the Virginia line on continental service. That he always so understood from old men of this country as well as said Jackson that said Jackson died in Dec'r. 1828 in Lewis county, having by his last will appointed his son Cummins E Jackson to sell all his lands. The said Jackson was about 70 years old when he died The same Edward Jackson has been a delegate from Harrison and Lewis counties in the Virginia Legislature. Signed and sworn to this 5th day of January 1833 before me

Sam'l. Z Jones JP [see endnote]

I do more over certify that the said James Brown is a credible man and his statements are entitled to credit.

Sam'l. Z Jones JP

The Executive Department will please consider the case of the application of the heirs of Edward Jackson. His name appears on the rolls of the revolutionary army as a soldier in the Virginia line on continental establishment. the preceding certificate is from a soldier of the Revolution, a nigh neighbor of Col. Jackson for many years. Please communicate the result to me as soon as a determination is had

Very respectfully/ Your obt. ser't./ J. Wamsley [see endnote]

Executive Depart.

NOTES:

Edward Jackson (1 Mar 1759 - 25 Dec 1828) was a grandfather of Gen. Stonewall Jackson. He was

referred to as Col. Edward Jackson, but I could find no record of his service in the Revolutionary War. A soldier with the same name served three years in the 2nd Virginia Continental Regiment (Edward Jackson VAS74). That soldier could not sign his name, however.

David W. Sleeth (pension application S6111) and Jonathan Wamsley were implicated in numerous fraudulent applications for Revolutionary-War pensions, as detailed in my appendix to Sleeth's pension application. Among those for whom Sleeth and Wamsley filed fraudulent claims was James Brown (S6718). Wamsley was also involved in the fraudulent pension application by Samuel Z. Jones (S18474), and Jones was involved in fraudulent claims by Wamsley, Sleeth, and others. Cummins E. Jackson was also mentioned in connection with the fraudulent pension application of William Carder (S17872).