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Bounty Land Claim of Isaac Rawlings BLWt1130-200 MD [VA]  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Maryland } I, Sarah King sister and one of the heirs at Law of Isaac Rawlings Deceased do  
Frederick County } upon oath testify and Declare to the best of my knowledge and bilief that the said  
Isaac Rawlings was a Lieutenant in the Maryland line in the army of the Revolution and served as such to  
the close of the war. Also I do furthur declare that I have never received a warrant from the United States  
for the bounty land due him nor do I believe that he ever during his life ever received or transfered his  
claim to it in any manner whatever. [Power of attorney to Col. Joseph Watson follows.]  
Witness/ W R King [signed 3 Aug 1825] Sarah King

[The following are from two files of [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#). Some of the online images are undecipherable.]

State of Maryland }  
Calvert County } This day personally appeared before me one of the Justices of the peace for the  
County aforesaid [blank], Esq'r who made oath in due form of Law that Isaac &  
Juliet Rawlings are the only surviving Heirs of Wm. Rawlings, dec'd. and that the said Wm. Rawlings,  
dec'd. was known to be the Brother of the late Capt. Isaac Rawlings, of said County, and formerly (Isaac  
Rawlings) of the Revolutionary Army – that said deponents know of no heirs at Law of the said Isaac  
Rawlings at this time living, but the aforesaid children of William Rawlings, excepting Wm. R King of  
Frederick County, Md. and Richard Kelley of Annapolis Md. whom they the said deponents have  
understood to be living and to be Nephews of the said Isaac Rawlings which said [several illegible words]  
County and State aforesaid about the year 1790  
Sworn to & subscribed to before me this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October 1831. [signed] Tho Rawlings  
[On 5 Nov 1832 Isaac and Juliet Rawlings granted power of attorney to Joseph Watson.]

To the Governor and Council of the State of Virginia.

The Petition of Isaac Rawlings for himself and his sister Juliet Rawlings, part of the Heirs at Law of Isaac Rawlings of the Continental army, respectfully represents that the said Isaac Rawlings was appointed, it is believed some time in the latter part of the year 1776 a Lieutenant of Col. [Charles] Harrison's Reg't. of Artillery of the Virginia line, on Continental establishment and continued to serve in said capacity it is believed to the close of the Revolutionary war, and is duly returned as a Lieutenant of Artillery on the Books of the war office of the United States

Your petitioner therefore prays that the claim in virtue of the services of the said Lieutenant Isaac Rawlings, be considered by your Honorable Body, as soon as circumstances will permit, and that you be pleased to accord an order on the Register of your Land office at Richmond, to issue a Land Warrant or Land Warrants for the several quantities of bounty Land promised to the said Isaac Rawlings by the various Laws of your state, infavor of himself, his sister Juliet Rawlings and the other lawful Heirs now existing of the said Isaac Rawlings of the continental army. And as in duty bound he will ever pray.  
done at the City of Washington, this the 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1832. [signed] Isaac Rawlings

I David Lynn [pension application W9151] a Captain in the Maryland line in the revolutionary war, on Continental Establishment, do declare on oath, that I was well acquainted with Isaac Rawlings a Lieutenant in one of the Companies of Artillery attached to the Maryland line in said service, which said Comp'y was detached for this purpose from one of the Artillery Regiments (I believe Col Harrisons) That said Rawlings continued in the service to the end of the war, and I believe he was born in Calvert County

Maryl'd. where he lived after the war terminated. Witness my hand this 13 day of November 1832



To his Excellency the Governor and the Honorable the Executive Council of the State of Virginia.

The memorial of the heirs of Lieut. Isaac Rawlings of Harrison's reg't of artillery by their agent and attorney Joseph Watson, respectfully represent, that in the latter part of the year 1777 he was under a resolve of Congress and by orders of the Commander in Chief attached and [undeciphered word] to the aforesaid regiment and ever after until it was disbanded, continued to serve with and in it, that he [undeciphered word] from the Line of Maryland as stated in the annexed letter of Joseph Watson to the Commissioner of revolutionary claims, dated the 4<sup>th</sup> April of the current year 1835 and which letter your memorialists ask [two or three undeciphered words] and considered as part of the statement of their case, [several undeciphered words] and it is believed to have been considered in the case of Lieut. Ricketts [Nicholas Ricketts (Ricketts) BLWt1124-200] allowed in early 1782, that all officers similarly situated with him and Lieut. Rawlings were entitled to bounty land from Virginia, [several undeciphered words] Capt. Joseph Smith [several undeciphered and missing words] have to state that in 1832 a petition was caused to be presented by Isaac Rawlings, one of them, which they understand is on file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and to which they [undeciphered word] reference, as well as to the documents presented in support thereof and of this memorial and they therefore pray that your honorable body may be please to give your rescript[?] to the Register of your Land office directing him to grant a land warrant to them and as in duty bounty [sic: bound] your memorialists will ever pray.  
[undeciphered word] at Richmond, on                      The heirs of Lieut. Isaac Rawlings by Jos. Watson  
this 8<sup>th</sup> May 1835

Baltimore 23 July 1835. To the best of my recollection, the [undeciphered word] of artillery [undeciphered word] by Maryland for [undeciphered word] defense, was called for by Congress, and [several undeciphered words] or soon after, was attached to the Virginia Regiment of artillery, Commanded by Colonel Harrison [the rest undeciphered].

[signed] J. Smith [probably Joseph Smith] Late Lieutenant/ 4<sup>th</sup> Maryland Regiment

Land Office, Annapolis, 27<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1838,

Dr. Sir [Thomas Quantrill, Esq'r], In reply to your letter of 22<sup>nd</sup> Inst, I have to state, that Isaac Rawlings, was a Lieutenant of an artillery Company in the revolution, and that his account upon the Army Ledgers stand stated and settled, (there does not appear by any record or paper in this office to be anything due him – The Maryland Artillery were transferred before the close of the War to the Virginia line, – evidence therefore of his having served to the Close of the War, can only be obtained I presume from the Virginia rolls;  
Very respectfully yrs/ G. G. Brewer

Know all men by these presents that we Rufus T. King & Sarah Ann C. King of Frederick County and state of Maryland son & daughter of William R. King of the County and State aforesaid & the cestuis que trusts meant & mentioned in the last will and testament of Sarah King late of Frederick County deceased who was one of the heirs at law of Isaac Rawlings deceased do hereby constitute and appoint Thomas Quantrill of Washington City District of Columbia our true and lawfull attorney [the rest boilerplate not transcribed] [signed 8 June 1838] Thomas R. King                      Sarah Ann C King

Rec Sep 10 1838/ March 24 1840

The evidence is not satisfactory that Lieut Rawlings was attached to Harrisons regiment – Claim rejected  
DC [Gov. David Campbell]

Washington City Dist Col/ May 1<sup>st</sup> 1840

Personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace in & for the district aforesaid John B Higdon aged 84 years & a soldier of the Revolutionary war who after being duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith that he was well acquainted with Lieut. Isaac Rawlings long before he entered the army of the Revolution & well remembers that he was a Lieut. in the artillery of the Maryland line where he continued until the fall of 1777 or 78 but of this he is not so certain, but states with certainty that the said Rawlings went with the Maryland artillery when it was transfered & incorporated into the V.a line & he recollects of seeing Lieut. Isaac Rawlings performing duty in Harrisons Reg't. & that he did continue in the V.a line until the end of the war.

John B. hisXmark Higdon

Sworn to, & subscribed before me/ Gilbert L. Gilberson JP

NOTE: On 3 Aug 1825 Elenor King swore before William R. King, Justice of the Peace, that Isaac Rawlings had never married