

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathan Freeman BLWt121-100

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State of North Carolina Surry County

This day Personally appeared Saml Smith [Samuel Smith] before me Jesse Lester a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid and on his Solemn oath deposeth and saith –

The [sic, That] he well knew Nathan Freeman while a Soldier in the 6th North Carolina Regiment that he knows he was enlisted for and during the War with Great Britain and served to the end thereof -- Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day August A.D. 1797

S/ Jesse Lester, JP

S/ Saml Smith, X his mark

Know all men by these presents that I Robert Freeman heir at law to the Estate of Nathan Freeman Deceased Soldier in the service of the United States of America on Continental establishment in the North Carolina line for during the War -- with Great Britain for a valuable and full consideration to me said Freeman in hand paid before the execution hereof by Daniel Wheaton the receipt whereof is hereby fully acknowledge, Have and by these presents do grant, bargain, sale, release, transfer and assign under him, his heirs Executors, administrators and assigns forever all the right, title, interest, property, claim and demand which I the said Robert Freeman now have or which I my heirs Executors or administrators may in any time hereafter, have to all the land due and owing to me from the United States that was due to my brother Nathan Freeman deceased and I do hereby for myself, my heirs, Executors and administrator covenant and agree to and with the said Daniel Wheaton, his heirs, Executors, administrators and assigns, that I... shall and will at any time or times hereafter, at the request, costs and charges of him... make, seal, execute and deliver all and every such reasonable act and acts, things and things conveyance & conveyances, assurances... which my brother Nathan Freeman deceased ever had or which I now have... the lands which my brother Nathan Freeman Deceased was entitled to, now due and belonging to me, or which may hereafter belong to me for his services as a Soldier in the late War with Great Britain....20th day of Augt. 1796

S/ Robert Freeman, X his mark

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

S/ Saml B. Shapard

S/ Daniel Bills

State of North Carolina Orange County

I Daniel Freeman for myself my heirs &c do hereby relinquish and give up to Robert

Freeman my brother of the County of Surry in State aforesaid all and singular my right title and interest to the estate of Nathan Freeman deceased, and do by these presents desire all whom it may concern, to consider the said Robert Freeman entitled to the estate of said Nathan Freeman his brother deceased and heir at law, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 30th day of August in the year of our Lord 1796.

S/ Daniel Freeman

State of North Carolina Surry County

Whereas this day came Robert Freeman before us Jesse Lester and Daniel Bills Justices in and of the County & State aforesaid & he being first sworn upon the holy Evangelist of Almighty God to Depose and Saith that sometime in the year 1776 (to the best of his knowledge and belief) his brother Nathan Freeman enlisted in the Service of the United States of America for 3 years and was on Continental Establishment in the North Carolina line and before his time was out he enlisted for during the War & served his time out faithfully and truthfully and was discharged somewhere to the northward at the End of the war and on his way home died at Williamsburg in Virginia further [said Daniel] Freeman saith he is the said Nathan Freeman's brother & heir at law and that he never did receive his pay for said Brother's services nor any part thereof neither did he received any right or title to the 100 acres of land due you & owing to his deceased brother, from the United States & that he never sold, conveyed, transferred nor authorized any person or persons to receive the same in any manner or form whatsoever until this day to Daniel Wheaton. Sworn to and subscribed the 22nd of August in the year of our Lord 1796.

Before us

S/ Robert Freeman, X his mark

S/ Jesse Lester

S/ Daniel Bills