Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Rice BLWt1471-100 Transcribed by Will Graves f8VA 6/21/12

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[Note: There is a note on the second page of this file to see the claim of Basdel Rice <u>Bazdale</u> (<u>Basdel</u>, <u>Basdil</u>) <u>Rice BLWt1472-100</u>. Also, on the third page, there is a note that John & Peter Rice are the brothers and heirs of George Rice, Private, Va.]

[f p. 4] Sir

Enclosed I send you my papers in support of my claim to bounty land on account of services rendered by my 2 brothers George and Bazdale Rice soldiers of the revolutionary war. If the Claims is admitted please send me the warrants to Liberty, Bedford County.

I am your obedient Servant

Jno. Rice

due Rico

February 18th, 1829 Received from the war office a [indecipherable word] warrant, number 1471 4 100 acres of land issued to the heirs of George Rice a soldier of the Virginia line in the Revolutionary war –

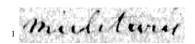
S/ John Rice

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State of Virginia County of Bedford

I John Rice, brother and one of the heirs at law of George Rice and Bazdale Rice do upon oath testify and declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that George Rice and Bazdale Rice did enlist in 1777 for the term of during the war and served in a Regiment Number six, under the command of Colonel Buckner [Mordecai Buckner] in the Virginia line on Continental establishment and that they continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war in 1783. I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to the said George and Bazdale Rice on the part of the United States, neither do I believe that they ever received it or transferred there claim to it in any manner whatsoever.

S/ Ino. Rice



The <u>Library of Virginia</u> in its online digital collection of documents relating to bounty land claims contains the following documents that may relate to this veteran, although I think it more likely that it relates to another man named George Rice given the disparity in description of services below from that given by his brother in the application above:

I Certify that George Rice enlisted as a Matross in Colonel Harrison's Regiment of Artillery the 3rd day of December 1776 for the war & was made corporal the 1st day of January 1780 & has continued in service in said Regiment to this date.

Given at Richmond July 20th 1783 S/ Saml Eddins Capt. Artillery

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