Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Freeman BLWt190-100 f12NC Transcribed by Will Graves 1/9/09 rev'd 6/20/15 & 5/6/21

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To all Persons to whom these presents shall come, Know ye that I Samuel Freeman late of the Service of the United States of America for and in Consideration of the sum of Twenty Spanish Milled Dollars to me in hand paid at and before the ensealing [sic] and delivery of these presents by Richard Blackledge of Beaufort County in the State of North Carolina for William Blackledge now at the Federal City, Have sold, remised, released, quit claimed, transferred and assigned and by these presents do sell... to said William Blackledge and his heirs and assigns forever all the right, title, interest, claim and demand which I my heirs, Executors and administrators at any time hereafter may have to all the land which I am entitled to and to all the land which for either of them may have at any time hereafter be entitled to from the Congress of the United States of America for my services as a private Soldier in the Army of the United States of America for during the War with Great Britain and to every part and parcel thereof

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 18th day of February Anno Domini 1805.

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of us.

S/ Samuel Freeman {Seal}

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S/ Thomas Richard

S/ Stephen Owens

North Carolina Beaufort County

These may Certify that Jesse Nelson came before me Frederick Grist one of the Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid and made oath that he was well acquainted with Samuel Freeman a Soldier in the North Carolina line of Continental Troops, that said Freeman and himself both enlisted for the War at Perammus [sic, Paramus] on the North River and both continued in the Service, until they were made prisoners at Charleston when the Deponent with five others were forced on board the British Vessel called the *Dispatch* and carried to the West Indies and from there to Martinborough or Guisberry in Noviscotia [sic, Nova Scotia] but what became of Freeman after this deponent left Charleston he does not know but now know him a resident in the County of Beaufort & State aforesaid, February 11th 1805.

S/ Jesse Nelson, X his mark