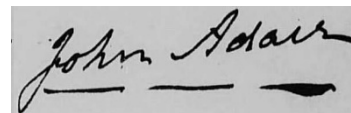


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Bounty Land Warrant of Richard Doggett BLWt1983-300 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 3 Nov 2013.

Being asked to give a statement of what I know of Capt. Richard Dogget in the War of the Revolution, I can with truth say that I knew him personally, when serving as a Capt. in the Sixth Regiment of So. Carolina Regulars – the reg't was commanded by Colo. Thomas Sumpter [sic: Thomas Sumter] (afterwards Gen'l. Sumpter) that he was a young man about six feet high and well proportioned – that he was considered a brave man and good officer – My impression from memory now is, that he fell in some Battle near Charlestown – I think the Battle fought at Stono by Gen'l. Lincoln [Battle of Stono Ferry under Benjamin Lincoln, 20 Jun 1779] who commanded the Regular Troops, in the South –

given this 4th oct'r. 1833 [in Mercer County KY]–
[John Adair, pension application W2895]



The Deposition of William Gibson taken at his own house in Garrard County State of Kentucky on Monday the Seventh day of October 1833 who being in the Eighty second year of his age and duly sworn deposeth and saith

That he lived in about One and a half miles of Bushrode Doggett the Father of Benjamin, Richard George, and Joel Doggett [Benjamin Doggett VAS998, Richard Doggett, George Doggett, and Joel Doggett VAS1001] his four sons and that they were rais'd and brought up in the same neighbourhood together untill they were all men grown and usd to be much engaged in playing at the game of Fives together, And that said Bushrode Doggett with his sons lived in Fauquier County at the Commencement of the Revolutionary War, and towards the latter end and close of the War, the Old Man removed into Culpepper [sic: Culpeper]County. But previous to which time his sons had all gone into the Army, and this Deponant being called upon to State what he knows of the Second Son Richard Doggett says that he knows nothing more than at the commencement of the Revolutionary war he was made a Captain in the Virginia Continental line went to the south where he was kill'd in Battle and further this deponant saith not

William hisXmark Gibson

[The federal file contains a copy of a power of attorney assigned on 3 Nov 1832 by Thomas Doggett of Bath County KY to obtain bounty-land for the services of his uncle, Richard Doggett, and of his father, Benjamin Doggett, VAS998. The federal file also includes copies of the following documents found in the [Revolutionary bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia](#):]

To his Excellency/ The Governor and Council of Virginia

The Petition of Willis Morgan of Kentucky one of the Heirs of Charles Morgan and Susanna Morgan Dec'd formerly Susanna Doggett one of the Sisters and Heirs of Captain Richard Doggett Dec'd.

Respectfully Sheweth

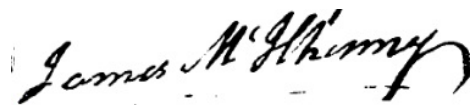
That Captain Richard Doggett enter'd the Service of the United States at or about the commencement of the Revolutionary War, in the Virginia Continental or State line and Commanded a Company to the South where he served Untill the Battle of Stono where he was Slain all of which will be found fully proven by the Testimony of Charles Kemper William Harris [pension application S5489] and Henry Mauzy, whose affidavits are herewith submitted, Henry Mauzy also proves Willis Morgan the Petitioner to be one of the Heirs of Captain Richard Doggett

[Notes on the above document indicate that the claim was rejected on 18 Nov 1831 for lack of proof that Richard Doggett was an officer, but was allowed on 9 July 1832 after further evidence was received. A note on the copy of the above in the federal file reads as follows: "NB since the Petition of Willis

Morgan was filed, he has ascertain'd that Thomas Doggett the only son of Benjamin Doggett The Elder Brother of Richard Doggett was the Heir at law to Captain Richard Doggett which is prov'd by the Depo of Joseph Morgan"]

[5 Nov 1831] The Deposition of William Harris taken at the house of Fiderick Fishback [Frederick Fishback] in Culpeper County State of Virginia who being Eighty one years of Age the 10th of Dec'r. next and duly sworn deposeth and saith that he knew and was well acquainted with Richard Doggett who was killed in the South during the Revolutionary War, and that he saw said Richard Doggett in Culpepper County when he came in from the South on furlough, and that he Slept with Richard Doggett the night before he set off for the South to join the Army, and that they traveled together the next day as far as Culpepper Court house, and the reason those circumstances made such and impression and are so fresh in his memory is that he was on his way to the Court House to get his license to get Married. And said Deponant further states that said Doggett was then an Officer and believes a Captain in the virginia Continental or State line and that he further understood said Richard Doggett was Slain in one of the Battles of the South and further this Deponant saith not William hisXmark Harris

The Deposition of James McElhany [James McIlhenny S31242] taken at Sharpsburg on the 22^d day of May 1832 being in the 74 year of his age and duly sworn deposeth and saith, That he served in the Army nearly the whole of the Revolutionary War, and that he entered the Service in the Militia and Serv'd in different capacities untill the 16 May 1781 when he receiv'd a Commission in the Continental Army as a Captain which Commission he now has bearing date as Above Stated and that he Commanded a Company untill near the end of the War and that he was a Resident of the State of South Carolina and performed nearly the whole of his service in that State he was well acquainted with some of the Officers that was in the Battle at Stono in South Carolina and well remembers hearing them State the Death of Captain Richard Doggett of the Virginia Continental line who was slain in that Battle and Also the death of a Lieutenant Prince of an independent company a particular acquaintance, also slain and a Major David badly wounded, and others not now recollected That he [illegible word] said Deponant further states has been well acquainted with a Sister of Captain Richard Doggett for near 40 [ten words missing from online image filled in from copy in federal file] years in Kentucky, and who died 2 or 3 years past and that he has often conversed with her relative to her Brother being Slain at the Battle of Stono and was inform'd by her and her Husband Thomas Brown who is Also Deceas'd that Richard Doggett entered the United States Service as a Captain in the Virginia Continental line and have also heard her State that Willis Morgan the son of Charles was a Sisters son of hers and the Nephew of Captain Richard Doggett who was slain at the Battle of Stono as before mention'd and further this deponant saith not



The Deposition of Richard Doggett taken at Joseph Hudnuts tavern in the town of Washington Mason County Kentucky on the 14th day of June 1832 who being of lawfull age and duly sworn Deposeh and saith

That he is the Illegitimate son of Captain Richard Doggett of Culpepper County Virginia who was Slain at the Battle of Stono in South Carolina, and that he was living in the County of King George with his mother at the time his Father was Slain, and that his Father a short time after he rec'd. his Death wound, being convinc'd of his Death had a few lines written to His Father Acknowledging me as his son and requesting that he would take me home to his house Educate and provide for me, and this Deponant states that his Grandfather Bushrode Doggett sent for him and took him to his house and sent him immediately to school, and that he was about 10 years of age when he went to live with his Grandfather and lived with him untill his death when he was about 19 years of age, and that in the Conversations with

his Grandfather and Grandmother who died in 4 weeks of each other he rec'd. the above information, and that he Depos to the above from their information and the information of others, and not from his own knowledge of facts, and he further saith that William Foster [possibly pension application W4674] of Culpepper County Virginia stated to him that was in the Battle and saw Captain Doggett after he was shot through the Bowell sitting down leaning back against a tree who said he had re'd. his death wound;

This Deponant further states that he is 62 years old this 10th of October next, and the battle of Stono being fought 20th June 1780 [sic] – 52 years past the 20th of the present month he was 9 years and about 8 months old when his Father was slain and that he was taken to his Grandfathers the same year or year following, when he was between 10 & 11 years of age and lived with them untill their death when he was about 19 years of age and that while living with his Grandfather and Grandmother he often heard them state and say that his Father was a Captain and Commanded a Company during the whole of the Revolutionary war untill he was Slain.

And this Deponant further states of his own knowledge that his Fathers Regimental Clothes were brought him by his Waiter a negro Boy named Ned, and that his Grandmother had them Cut up and suit made to fit him, and that when she Dress'd him in the Clothes she pin'd the Epauletts on his shoulder to see if he would look as much like an officer as his Father. And this deponant further states that he knows from his Illegitimacy he cannot Inherit and has no Interest whatever in the testimony contain'd in the within Deposition and that he always understood that his Father never married and Dec'd without a will and that Thomas Doggett of Bath County the only son of Benjamin Doggett Dec'd was his Father's Heir at Law, from being the son of his Fathers elder Brother – and further this deponant saith not

[signed] Richard Doggett

The Deposition of William Harris of Culpepper County taken at Jefferson on the 25th day of September 1832 who being Eighty two years of age and duly sworn Deposeth and saith That he well knew Captain Richard Doggett the son of Bushrode last of Culpepper County Virginia who lost his life in the South during the War of the Revolution, and knows well that he was a Single unmarried man unless he might have got married very shortly before he was Slain, and that he left no lawfull Issue as ever I understood

This Deponent Further States that he was Overseer for William Morgan the Father of Charles [Charles Morgan] and John [John Morgan] at the time that John Enlisted and was made a Serjeant of Fauquier County, and that John Morgan tried for half a day to enlist him, and that he well recollects the time when John Morgan march'd for the North where he lost his life, that he was a Single unmarried man, and [the rest missing from online image, filled in here from copy in federal file] never heard of his marrying and leaving Issue and that he recollects that his Elder Brother Charles Inherited his negroes left by his Grand father, a negro woman Jude and her four Children Amey, Milley, Jesse, & Sarah

signed William Harris

NOTES:

On 8 Sep 1832 John Morgan certified that he was “the Sisters son, and nephew of Captain Richard Doggett” and also of Benjamin Doggett, and that Richard Doggett was never married and left no lawful heir.

On 10 Nov 1831 Charles Kemper, Sr. of Fauquier County VA stated that he had been a neighbor of and went to school with Richard Doggett and Susannah Doggett, who later married Charles Morgan the son of William Morgan, and that they later moved with their father to Culpeper County. He also stated that Richard Doggett soon afterward joined the army and went to the South, and that a few years later he saw Richard Doggett “at meeting” while he was home on furlough.