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Bounty Land Warrant application of James Scurlock BLWt2048-200

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State of Tennessee Sumner County – We Thomas M Scurlock James A. Douglass and Alfred H Douglass Guardian of James S Alexander Augustin and Caroline Matilda Douglass heirs at law of James Scurlock, do upon oath, testify and declare to the best of our knowledge, information and belief that James Scurlock did entered the service in 1780 or '81 for the term of the Revolutionary War and served as a Lieutenant in the Regiment No. __ under the command of Colonel Lytle [Archibald Lytle] of the North Carolina Continental line; and that he continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war.

We further declare, that we have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised the said James Scurlock on the part of the United States; nor do we believe that he ever received it, or transferred his claim to it in any manner whatever. Therefore we have hereunto subscribed our names to the above declaration on this the 10th day of June 18 34.

S/ T. M. Scurlock

S/ A. H. Douglass, Guardian

S/ J. S. Douglass

State of Tennessee Sumner County: Be it remembered at a Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions begun & held at the Courthouse in the town of Gallatin County of Sumner in the State of Tennessee on the 2nd Monday in May A.D. 1834 William H Douglass, James Douglass & Edward L Douglass who after being first sworn upon the holy evangelist of Almighty God to answer such questions as may be propounded to them by the Court or by the bar under the directions of the court touching the matter of the heirs at law of James Scurlock deceased who was an officer in the North Carolina line in the revolutionary War. The said William H Douglass & James Douglass say that they were well acquainted with James Scurlock deceased & his family & Edward L Douglas says that he was well acquainted with the family of said James Scurlock deceased – that they have always heard it said & believe that he was an officer in the Revolutionary War – that his wife has been dead for many years & that they left five children Benjamin, Louisa, Thomas, Lucy & Richard – that Benjamin died without issue – that Louisa intermarried with Alfred H Douglass Esquire & she has since died leaving James Scurlock Alfred Augustus & Caroline Matilda Douglass heirs of her body – that Thomas Scurlock is now living – that Lucy intermarried with James S Douglass & that she & her husband are both alive – & that

Richard Scurlock is dead leaving no issue – that Thomas Scurlock James Scurlock Douglass Alexander A. Douglass and Caroline Matilda Douglass the only issue of A. H. Douglass & his wife Louisa who is dead & Lucy Scurlock now Lucy Douglass wife of James S Douglass are the only living heirs at law of James Scurlock deceased.

And the said court do certify that said William H Douglass, James Douglass & Edward L Douglass are known to them to be respectable persons & that their statement is entitled to credit.

S/ J. L. Swaney, JP

S/ Thomas Henderson, JP

S/ James L. McKain, JP

[There is a "James Scurlock" listed as a Captain in Col. Lytle's 4th Regt. of NC Continentals on September 11, 1781 [see Footnote.com image at <http://www.footnote.com/image/#10199365> ; also, in a listing of officers at the Southern Army Camp at Pon Pon [Edisto], February 6th 1782, James Scurlock as a Lieutenant at a Board of Officers held under the command of Col. Henry Dixon on that date, see <http://www.footnote.com/image/#10199307> ; finally, he is listed as a lieutenant on an accounting showing pay due Continental officers for 1782 & 1783, see <http://www.footnote.com/image/#10199243>]