

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Record of John Hunter Holt BLWt2121-300

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Norfolk Borough

At a Quarterly Session Court Continued and Held the 27th day of August 1835

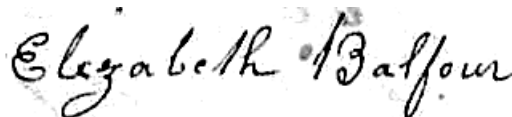
The Court doth certify that it has been made [to] appear by the oath of Eleazer O Balfour, that Elizabeth Oswald the sole devisee of John H Holt a Captain in the Army of the Revolutionary War, died intestate leaving six children her only surviving heirs at law viz. first Elizabeth C Balfour, Secondly Sarah Oswald, Third Ann L. Oswald, Fourth – Rebecca Glenn (which four are now alive) formerly Oswald (who intermarried with Hamilton Glenn, since deceased), Fifth William H Oswald also since deceased leaving two children viz.: Richard Oswald and William Oswald his only surviving heirs at law and Sixth John H Oswald also since deceased leaving three children his only surviving heirs at law viz. John Oswald, Elizabeth Oswald now Elizabeth Urban, the wife of Lewis Urban and Caroline Oswald now the wife of Israel H Kurtz.

I John Williams Clerk of the Court aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a true Copy from the Records of said Court. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Office this 28th day of August in the year 1835 in the 60th year of the Commonwealth

S/ John Williams, CC

State of Virginia Corporation of Norfolk: Sc.

I Elizabeth Balfour one of the heirs at law of John H Holt do upon oath testify and declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that the said John H Holt did entered the service in 1776 or thereabout for the term of ___ Years and served as a Captain in the Regiment No. 1 under the command of Colonel George Gibson of the Continental line; and that he continued in service aforesaid until he became supernumerary in consequence of the dissolution of said Regiment. I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to the said Holt on the part of the United States: nor do I believe that he ever received it, or transferred his claim to it any manner whatsoever, nor that any of the other heirs ever hath received the same, therefore know all men by these presents that I Elizabeth Balfour aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Eleazer O. Balfour to be my true and lawful attorney [etc. etc. legal boilerplate not transcribed]



[p 9: Copy of the last will and testament of John Hunter Holt of Richmond, printer in which he names his cousin John Dixon, Jr., aunt Dixon, sister Barbour; his sister Elizabeth Oswald as his residual legatee. The will is dated December 4th, 1786 and was probated April 28, 1788 in Richmond Virginia.]