

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant Application of Oliver Hart BLWt2331-300

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### Georgia Liberty County

Personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County Mrs. Mary Hart a Lady well known to me, and whom I hereby certify to be a Lady of the highest credibility and she is and has been in the receipt of a pension from the United States as the widow of a revolutionary Officer, who being duly sworn according to law, says that Oliver Hart the Brother of her late husband Captain John Hart<sup>1</sup> of the South Carolina Line of the Army of the Revolution was a Doctor Surgeon, or Surgeon's mate of the said South Carolina line of the Army of the Revolution, and departed this life at or near Pedee – South Carolina, many years ago, leaving two children, a son named Oliver Hart, and a daughter named Eleanor – That the former died near Knoxville, in the State of Tennessee in the year 1836, leaving a wife & several Children, whose names she does not recollect, and that the Daughter when last heard of was married to a Mr. Bennet and resided near Lexington Kentucky – and further she saith not – Sworn & subscribed before me this sixth day of November 1843

S/ Geo. W. Dunham, JIC LC

S/ Mary Hart



The affidavit of Eleanor Bennett wife of James Bennett of Woodford County Kentucky, near the Fayette line. She states that she is the only surviving child of Doctor Oliver Hart deceased. She states that she is informed and believes that her father was a Surgeon or a Surgeon's mate of the Revolutionary Army, and attached to the South Carolina line during the said War, and acted in that capacity until the close thereof, and became entitled to all the rights and immunities of other Officers of the Revolutionary Army, that she is informed & believes that her deceased father was entitled to land from the United States for his services in the Line as above stated. She states that she does not know the Regiment to which he was arranged only speaking from the conversations she has heard her father & others have in reference to the war. This service she states that her father departed this life about 50 years ago on the Pedee River South Carolina. That besides this affiant he left a son Oliver Hart who died near Nashville Tennessee, that said Hart's family now lives in Nashville, being the following children J. Wm Ellen Rebecca the wife of William Johnson, Mary Oliver & Rachel Hart as the only heirs at law of said Oliver who died in Nashville Tennessee as aforesaid. That said Oliver Hart who died on

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<sup>1</sup> [John Hart W3805](#)

the Pedee River left no will as ever this affiant heard of, nor did the said Oliver Hart who died near Nashville have any will as his death was sudden. Affiant states that she first intermarried with Mr. Benj Stout 2nd with David Harris of Woodford lastly with the said James Bennett, that this affiant and the said Oliver Hart's children are the only heirs at law of Doctor Oliver Hart a Surgeon's mate of the South Carolina line in the revolutionary war, further saith not.

S/ Eleanor Bennet

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eleanor Bennett". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with a small flourish at the end of the name.

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At a General Court held for the State of Kentucky at the Capital in the town of Frankfort on Wednesday the 7th day of February 1844 and in the 52nd year of the Commonwealth

On this 7th day of February 1854 proof was offered in open court to get a certificate of airship of Dr. Oliver Hart deceased, The deposition of Mary Hart the widow of Captain Hart was read whose credibility is duly certified to this Court and the affidavit of Mrs. Eleanor Bennett was also read and the oral evidence of Benj. Stout was also heard, and in the hearing of the whole case the court are satisfied Oliver Hart departed this life in South Carolina about 50 years ago intestate, and that he was the same Oliver Hart who served as a Surgeon's Made in the Revolutionary war in the South Carolina line that he left at his death to children he is a heirs at law, Eleanor wife of James Bennett now of Woodford County Kentucky and Oliver Hart who died near Nashville Tennessee in 1836 intestate, that said Oliver Hart left the following children & heirs at law, J. W., Mary, Oliver & Rebecca Hart & Ellen wife of William Johnson that the foregoing Eleanor Bennet, J W., Mary, Oliver & Rebecca Hart & Ellen wife of William Johnson are the only heirs at law of Dr. Oliver part who is reputed to have been a Surgeon's mate in the Revolutionary War in the South Carolina line of all of which is ordered to be certified to whom it may concern.

S/ A. H. Rennick, CGC