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Pension application of Robert Melton BLWt254542-1855

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State of Alabama like County:

On this 14th day of July A.D. 1856 Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid Morning Melton aged 104 years a resident of Pike County in the State of Alabama who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of Robert Melton Deceased who was a Private in the Company Commanded by Captain Shadrach Inman Regiment commanded by Colonel McKoy or McCoy in the Revolutionary War the year or place of being mustered into or out of Service not recollected but that they were citizens of South Carolina and said [service] was rendered in South Carolina her recollection is that he was mustered into service as a volunteer and was in a Battle at Demery Ferry [?]¹ on Savannah River as the Rolls will show having no discharge as she knows of. She further states that she was married to the said Robert Melton in Burke County Georgia on the 15th day of July 1770 by one Benjamin Davis JP and that her name before her marriage was morning Lewis that her said husband died in Pike County Alabama on the 4th day of August 1850. She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be entitled under the act 28th September 1850 or the Supplemental act to that act passed in 1856 and that she appoints William M. Johnson to Prosecute this Claim & receive the warrant if issued.

S/ Morning Melton, X her mark

Demery Ferry