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Pension Application of Claiborn Brown R1284

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State of Kentucky }

Clinton County } On this the 9th day of July 1842 personally appear'd before me Aaron Beck a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Harmon Brown of this neighborhood whose statements are entitled to full credit and after being duly sworn for that purpose on his oath makes the following Declaration in order to obtain for himself and the other heirs of his mother the Benefit of the act of 7th June 1838 that his Father Claiborn Brown enlisted in the service of the United States Service in Bedford County Via [sic: VA] under Capt Charles Walkins [sic: Charles Gwatkins] and was joined to Col Boon's [sic: Daniel Boone's] in the early part of the revolutionary war together Richard Wade [pension application S3443] and John Brown [S30282] and served in the fronteers of Kentucky and after serving out the enlistment returned home and was married to his mother Sarah Brown, who died at Declarant house on 1 of the last days of November 1828 [see endnote] That previous to his mothers death she made some preparation to obtain the amount that might be due her But died Before sending on her Claim that his Father Claiborn Brown served some time after the marriage with his dec'd mother but dos not recollect the officers under whome he served

Sworn to and subscribed to this 9th day of August 1842

Harmon hisXmark Brown

[Punctuation partly corrected.]

State of Kentucky }

Clinton County }

on this the 6th day of August 1842, personally appeared before me George Swope , a Justice of the peace in and for said County, Richard Wade, a Revolutionary Pension, Residing in Clinton County aforesaid his statements being entitled full credit, and on oath states that he Enlisted as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War in the Early part of said war in Bedford county State of Virginia under Captain Charles Watkins under an Enlistment for one year, together with a certain, John Brown, Claiborn Brown, Abram Brown, and Ancel Goodman [Ansel Goodman, S13175], and others amounting in all to about seventy armed men and went into the frontier County and was joined to Col. Boons Regiment, and after serving about five months affiant was taken prisoner together with said John Brown and others at the Blue licks [8 Feb 1778] a place included in the state of Kentucky, the said Claiborn Brown was not taken prisoner with the others but continued in service as affiant understood and believes. Said John Brown was a prisoner with affiant, the said Cliborn Brown lived in the same neighborhood where witness now lives many years, where affiant was again intimately acquainted with him, and with his wife and family, and John Brown the said soldier continued to live with affiant until his death, he having died in less than one fourth of a mile from the spot where affiant now lives

Richard hisXmark Ward Sen'r.

NOTE: On 30 Oct 1839 Barbary Luster, 72, of Wayne County KY, widow of Edward Luster, stated that her father, Peter Harmon and his family lived in Bedford County, and she remembered that when she was no more than 14 Claiborn Brown married her sister, Sarah Harmon, at the home of Parson Holt in New London (now in Campbell County). On 9 Aug 1842 Henry Guffy stated that he believed Sarah Brown died on 1 Dec 1838, "the day the swering of the beins to mary [swearing the banns to marry] Gusse Jones and affiants Daughter Elender Guffy." The file contains a copy of the record of the marriage license issued on 29 Nov 1838 to Jesse Jones and Elenor Guffey. Harmon Brown's claim was rejected because it was not clear that he was born before his father's service, and there was no evidence that his father served the required six months.