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Pension application of Ambrose Bull R1418

Elizabeth Bull

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State of Georgia, County of Pike

On this Sixteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, personally appeared before me William Harris, one of the Justices of the Inferior Court of the County and State aforesaid, Elizabeth Bull, a resident of the County of Pike and State of Georgia, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed 4 Jul 1836:-- That she is the widow of Ambrose Bull, who was a private soldier in the Revolutionary War; that the said Ambrose Bull volunteered in Craven County in the State of North Carolina, and according to the best of her knowledge and belief in or about the month of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine, the day and the month she does not recollect; that he served in a company commanded by Captain Roach [David Roach], whose Christian name she believes was Charles or David, and left the service at the expiration of six months, the term for which he volunteered to serve. And that said company was attached to a regiment commanded by Colonel Jonas Johnson [Jonas Johnston of Edgecombe County]; that her said husband resided in the County of Craven and the State of North Carolina when he entered the service as a volunteer, and marched from thence to some point in the State of South Carolina and on the march passed through the town of Kingston [sic, Kinston] in the County of Lenoir in the State of North Carolina. That she does not know or recollect that her said husband was in any engagement or battle; She further declares that she was married to the said Ambrose Bull in the said County of Craven in the year seventeen hundred and seventy seven by a Justice of the Peace, who furnished a Certificate of the said marriage which was in her possession, but has been lost or mislaid within the last six years. That her husband, the aforesaid Ambrose Bull died in the month of March one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine in the said County of Craven, where he had previously resided, and that she has remained a widow ever since that period; that she has no documentary evidence to support her claim; that she is unable from the lapse of time or death of individuals to obtain testimony to prove the service of her said husband, but recollects that Frederick Johnson and William Winham, who are now deceased served in Captain Roach's Company with her said husband. That she was born in the month of January seventeen hundred and fifty three; is eighty five years of age and is laboring under bodily infirmities incident to old age.

S/ Elizabeth Bull, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year first written before me.

S/ William Harris, Justice of the Inferior Court.