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Pension Application of Francis Cogdell R2104

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Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the several Acts of Congress passed for the benefits of the soldiers widows and orphans of the Revolutionary War

On this the 19th day of April 1854 personally appeared Elizabeth Britt aged 73 years before the subscriber a justice of the peace for and in the County of Wayne and State of North Carolina and after being duly Sworn according to law makes the following declaration that she is the daughter of Francis Cogdell deceased and of his wife whose maiden name was Celia Boon She has often heard her father and mother speak of his having served in the revolutionary war about five years She is not able to state under what officers her father served that her father was married to her mother about the year 1780 and that her father Francis Cogdell died in the year 1834 ["3" possibly "2"] and her mother died in the year 1841 leaving 3 children (viz) Richard Peggy and Elizabeth all of which have since died except the petitioner; She prays for such pension as she may be entitled to as she has heretofore failed to apply being ignorant of her rights as was her mother

Elizabeth herXmark Britt

[Elizabeth Britt made an earlier declaration that is less detailed than the above.]

State of North Carolina }

Wayne County }

On this the 4th of Nov'r. 1853 personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for said County of Wayne, Josiah Odom (aged 62) and after being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith this that his father was a soldier in the revolutionary war and drew a pension for his services he further deposeth and saith that he well recollects hearing his father Jethro Odom [pension application S8904] say that he was in a battle with Francis Cogdell at Moors Creek [sic: Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, 27 Feb 1776] and that the said Francis Cogdell lost his hat in time of battle and that he picked up a hat of the enemy and substituted it for his own, the said Josiah Odom further says that he never heard the services of the said Cogdell doubted by any person whatever in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and year above written

Josiah hisXmark Odom

Test/ L P Lindsay R. Raynes JP Jethro J. Odom

State of North Carolina }

Wayne County }

On this the 4th day of Nov'r 1853 personally appeared James Odom and after being duly sworn according to law before the suscriber a justice of the peace in and for the said county of Wayne certifies that his father Jethro Odom was a soldier in the Revolutionary war and drew a pension for his servises in said war the said Odom further certifies that he heard his father say that he was in mess with Francis Cogdell in said war and the said Odom certifies that he never heard of but one Francis Cogdell in this country the said Odom certifies that he is 66 years old and that he never heard the services of the said Cogdell doubted by any person whatever in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and year above written

[signed] James Odom