Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Hamilton [Hambleton] R4519 Margaret Hamilton f31VA Transcribed by Will Graves 2/5/14

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[Note: the following transcripts reflect very heavy editing for spelling.]

State of Kentucky Scott County

On this day personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid Marget Hambleton [sic] aged 73 years and has been a Resident of this County for upwards of 40 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration to obtain the benefit of the Provision made by the Act of Congress passed the 4 of July 1836. That she is the widow of the late Charles Hambleton [sic] who was a Lieutenant on the Virginia Line during the war of the Revolution. I know of my own knowledge that he was in the Service more than twelve months and probably a much longer time. I was not married to him during the whole term of his service and at this time am unable to say precisely how long he was in the Service though I know he was frequently called out and that he served a considerable time & rendered much service to his Country. She believes he was only a militia officer. I intermarried with him in Augusta County the 10 day of July 1781 and to the best of my recollection he was in Colonel Samuel Vance's Regiment and Thomas Hicking's [probably Captain Thomas Hicklin's Company. He was a Considerable time in the service after our marriage and was at the Siege of York and was in other engagements the time and place not now recollected. I well recollect the Difficulties, trouble & toil that I underwent whilst he was in the Service and seeing his commission among his old Papers since his death which was destroyed by my son-in-law as it was considered unimportant. My Husband Charles Hambleton departed this life in this County the 1 Day of October 1826 and I am now his widow and have not intermarried with any other man which will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed. Sworn to and subscribed on the 22nd day of September 1836.

S/ Margret Hammilton [sic], X her mark

I have long been acquainted with the late Charles Hamilten [sic] and have examined the Declaration of Margrit Hambleton and believe it to be true I know that he was a Lieutenant at the Siege of York but cannot say how long he was in the Service and from the age of their Children they must have been married at the time stated by her. She is now his widow. Given from under my hand the 22^{nd} of September 1836

S/ Isaac Price

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The Amended Declaration of Margit Hambleton of Scott County Kentucky the widow of the late Charles Hambleton who was a Lieutenant on the Virginia Line during the War of Revolution and the said Margret did some months ago applied for the benefit of the act of Congress July 4 1836. She states the facts set forth in her former declaration are true and that she was married to the said Charles Hambleton on the 10th of July 1781 and that he did serve in war as set forth in her former Declaration and that she has caused the clerk's office of Augusta County to be searched and no record can be found of her marriage and she has been informed and believes that many of the Records of that office have been Destroyed by fire. She further states that there was a family record of her marriage which has been lost or destroyed and that she has searched and inquired diligent for it among her children and cannot find it and that she does well know that their first child Alexander Hamilton was born the twenty-six day of September 1782 and that much of the service rendered by her husband the aforesaid Charles Hambleton was previous to their marriage and she thinks it probable that he may have rendered service which she has no knowledge of. She has often seen his Commission and is of the opinion that it was signed by Patrick Henry and in addition to the what was stated in her former declaration she well recollects of his being commissioned as Captain in the Militia some considerable time after the taking of Cornwallis and of his raising a part of his Company and on at least two occasions going in pursuit of the Indians and absent on these Campaigns not more than a week at a time which was not thought worthy of stating in her other declaration. She further states that she knows of no person by whom she can prove either her marriage or the Service of her Husband but she does positively no that he did serve in the Army of the Revolution as a Lieutenant and that she was married to him during his Service as stated in this and her former declaration and prays that the annexed proof may be taken and Pension granted her. She further states that she is unable from bodily infirmity to appear in Court. Given from under my hand this 7 day May 1837

S/ Margaret Hamilton

I James Hambleton of Scott County Kentucky have often heard the late Charles Hambleton speak of his Services as a Lieutenant in the militia on the Virginia Line during the war of the Revolution on one occasion he showed me a paper which he said was his Discharge and what I have heard from him and others I have no doubt but he was in the Service at least 18 months as Lieutenant in the Virginia line I well recollect of hearing him speak of various tours which he performed I have often seen the family record of the marriage of Charles and Margaret Hambleton and believe the date stated by the widow to be correct and that the family record cannot now be found. Given from under my hand this 9 day of May 1837

S/ James Hamilton

I Charles Hambleton of the County & State aforesaid state I have examined the declaration made by Margaret and James Hambleton and believed they contain the truth from what I have often heard and believes. Given from under my hand this 7 day of May 1837

S/ Charles Hamilton

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