

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John King R5956 ¹

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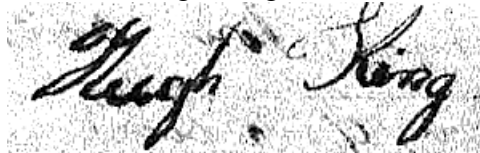
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State of Delaware County of Sussex

I Hugh King oldest son & heir at law of John King deceased do upon my oath declare and testify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the said John King of Delaware did enlist in the year 1776 or 7 for the term of during the War and served in the Regiment, No. Unknown under the command of Col. William Washington of the Continental line, and that he continued in the service until the War ended. I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to the said John King on the part of the United States; nor do I believe that he ever received it, or transferred his claim to it in any manner whatsoever: Therefore Know all men by these Presents, that I Hugh King aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Vaspasian Ellis of Accomack Virginia to be my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive of the Secretary of War of the United States a warrant for the quantity of land due to me as aforesaid; and my said attorney is hereby authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for the special purposes above expressed.

Witness my hand and seal this 26th day of June 1833.

S/ Hugh King

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hugh King". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted to the right.

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State of Delaware County of Sussex: SS

Personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for said County Hugh King – one of the heirs of John King deceased and made oath that he is the Son and one of the heirs at law of John King formerly a Soldier in the Revolutionary War in the Delaware line on Continental establishment & that the said John King died on or about the 24 day of February 1832 – and left as a heirs excepting myself, Mary wife of William Waller, Samuel King, James Holland a grandson, four in all – who are his Children & Grand Child.

Sworn & subscribed before me this 26th day of June 1833

S/ Peter Hall, JP

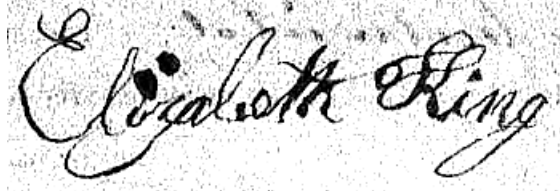
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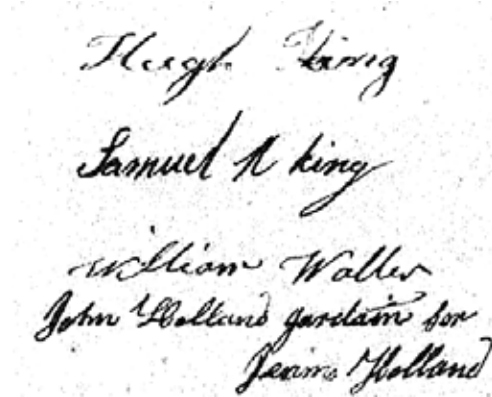
The deposition of Elizabeth King aged Sixty One years who says she is the Sister of the said John King and was well acquainted with him that he lived in this County – and that said John King served in the Revolutionary War in the Delaware line on Continental establishment and continued in service as this deponent believes till the War ended and that it was the same John King who died in this County on or about the 24th of February 1832.

S/ Elizabeth King



[Attested in Sussex County Delaware June 27, 1833.]

[p 7: Power of attorney dated August 31, 1833 signed by the heirs of John King as follows



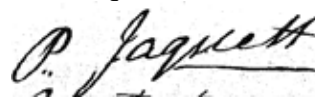
On the same day Hugh King gave further testimony that his father died February 25, 1832 [sic] leaving no widow.]

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State of Delaware New Castle County SS

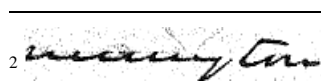
Before me Thomas McDowell Notary Public of the State of Delaware duly commissioned & qualified and legally authorized and Residing at [indcipherable name]² in said State personally appeared Major Peter Jaquett [sic]³ to me well known who being duly sworn deposed and saith that he was well acquainted with John King of Sussex County in the State of Delaware, that he was a soldier in the Army of the Revolutionary War, & served in the Delaware Regiment, that at the Battle of Camden on 16 August 1780 the said line was reduced from eight to two companies of ninety-six men each, commanded by Capt. Kirkwood [Robert Kirkwood] and this deponent, and were attached to Col. William Washington's Legion in the Virginia line, that the said John King served under Col. Washington until the close of the war as a soldier.

S/ P. Jaquett



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State of Delaware County of Sussex 1833



³ [Peter Jaquett S46500](#)

Before me Peter Hall a Justice of the peace in & for the County of Sussex in the State of Delaware, personally appeared Hugh King Administrator & one of the Children & heirs at Law of John King deceased late of said County formerly a Soldier of the Delaware line in the Army of the Revolution which said Hugh King is a Citizen of said County & known to me as a person of good repute & entitled to credit who being first duly sworn does on his oath say that he has always heard & understood from his father John King deceased that he enlisted in the Delaware Regiment in the early part of the Revolutionary War for the Term of during the War & continued in service to the end of the War, & was honorably discharged, that said John King died on the 25th day of February 1832 & that a short time prior to his death his said father was about to apply for the benefits of the Act of Congress passed May 15th 1828 and for that purpose of obtaining the deposition of Major P. Jaquett proving his services to the end of the War as aforesaid – but that he died shortly thereafter & no application was ever made for a pension – that about 2 or 3 months ago the said deposition of Major Jaquett was forwarded with the application of this deponent to the office of the Secretary of War for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land due from the United States to this deponent & the other heirs of said John King – that said application was granted and a Warrant for 100 Acres thereupon issued numbered 1951 to this deponent & the other heirs of said John King which has been surrendered to the Secretary of the Treasury for Scrip – that this deponent does not know whether the said John King did or did not receive the bounty of \$80 promised by the Continental Congress nor does he know what pay if any he ever received nor what became of his discharge. In testimony whereof he has hereunto annexed his signature

Sworn and subscribed before me

Witness my hand this 31 day of August 1833

S/ Peter Hall, JP

S/ Hugh King

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
21 September 1833

John King of ___ in the County of Essex in the State of Delaware has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in Captain ___ 's Company, in the ___ regiment of the Delaware line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
23rd September 1833

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars

has been issued to John King in the Delaware line

It further appears that John King is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826—~~at the rate of ___ dollars per month.~~

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

See the papers upon which Bounty Land was granted No. 55.025

S/ F. A. Dickins

War Department: Bounty land office

1828

The records of this office do not show that ___ of the ___ line ever received or is entitled to bounty land of the United States.

S/ Robert Taylor