Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Blanton R933
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State of Virginia }
County of Washington } On this day [19 Apr 1855] personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid, Aggy Johnston a resident of this County, Who in due and Solemn form of law doth, On her oath, declare that she is seventy one years of age, and the sixth born Child of her Father and mother, that she is the Daughter of William Blanton, a Soldier of the revolution, as she thinks, from the State of Virginia, that her Father the said William Blanton served under Genl. George Washington at Braddocks defeat [defeat of Gen. Edward Braddock on 9 July 1755 in the French and Indian War], that he served to the end of the Revolutionary War. as she thinks from what she has heard him say, in the Virginia Continental line, that said William Blanton never applied for a pension, that he died about the year, 1817, that his widow Hannah Blanton died in the year 1833 about the last of Otr. or Nov'r, that the said Hannah at the time of her death left the following named Children, to wit. John who is dead, Elizabeth, dead, Vincent, dead, Rutha, dead, Joel, dead, Mary – dead, Hannah, dead Claibourn, dead, that the said Aggy Johnston is sole, and only living Heir at law, of said William Blanton and hannah his wife, She alleges that, the said William served the war through, to the end thereof, and became entitled to Bounty land, and a reward of eighty dollars promised by Congress. If said Service, Justus the Claime, she prays it may be granted to her. She will adduce proof of service Aggy herXmark Johnston

Abingdon April 21 - 1855
Com'r. of pensions/ Dear Sir/ to please applicant, Mrs Aggy Johnston, sole & only Heir of Wm Blanton, I make this declaration, She asserts, her Fathers Service in the Revolution, and service against the Indians in 1790 to 1792–3, for the last Service She has not yet made declaration for Bounty land, James Head, can prove his Service against the Indians, & Head says Huff can prove the same, I state this, knowing any proof for Indian Service will avail neither as there is no widow or minor children
I am Dear Sir Very respectfully your Obt S't/ J W. Stevens