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Pension Application of William Asberry W2988

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State of Kentucky }

Mason County } Sct

On this 30th day of August 1844 before William D. Coryell a justice of the peace for the County of Mason and state of Kentucky personally appeared Susan Bateman of the county & State aforesaid, who on her Solemn oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions of the act of Congress of the 7th of July 1838.

This Affiant states that she is informed and believes that William Asberry a Citizen of the County of Fauquier & State of Virginia at or about the commencement of the Revolutionary War enlisted as a soldier in the virginia Continental line for the period during the war and served as such in said Line as she is informed & believes for a period of six years and during the period for which he was enlisted, she is informed & believes, that he was a soldier at the taking of Lord Cornwallace at York Towne in 1781 [sic: Cornwallis at Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781] She well recollects that he was a soldier and came to Winchester Frederick County Virginia guarding the British prisoners taken in the battle of York Town, that she cannot from old age state the Company or Regiment to which said William Asberry was attached but thinks it was Capt Blackwells though of this she is not certain Though she is certain that she has often heard him speak of the time of his enlistment and having been discharged. Said William Asberry intermarried with this affiant in the County of Fauquier and state of Virginia in the month of August in the year 1782 or 1783 near the Waters of Bull Run in said County That said William Asberry lived with this affiant as her husband until the 12th day of March 1814 when said Wm Asberry departed this life in the County of Fleming and state of Kentucky That this affiants maiden name before marriage was Susan Glasscock of the County of Fauquier & state of Virginia. That said Wm Asberry died before any pension law was passed or if any of the laws passed said Asberry never asked for their benefits by making application for the same, she is therefore left in the dark as to the officers with and under whom he served in the Virginia Line during the Revolution She therefore prays that the records may be examined touching her deceased husbands services & she states that her husband has been dead so long that she has not preserved any papers or documents to sustain his services nor does she know of any one by whom said services can be sustained.

She states that in July in the year 1815 she again as the Widow of said Wm Asberry intermarried with Thomas Bateman of the County of Fleming and state of Kentucky that she continued to live as the wife of said Bateman until November in the year 1820 when said Bateman departed this life (the precise day not recollected) in the County of Fleming & state of Kentucky that she is now the Widow of said Bateman, having been previously the Widow of said Wm Asberry who was a soldier of the Virginia Line as she was always informed & believes to this day, that she is now at the advanced age of 87 years & it has been so long since the death of said Asberry that she has forgotten the names of the officers or the Regiments with whom he served, that her marriage took place with said Asberry before 1794 but after the s'd Asberry left the service of the Revolution.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Susan herXmark Bateman

The deposition of Burtis Ringo [pension application S31329] aged 83 years who on his Solem oath States that during the war of the war of the Revolution he was a regular soldier of the Regt of State Dragoons under Col [Charles] Dabney & [Thomas] Nelson of the State of Virginia, for which he is now receiving a pension of 100\$ per annum, that in Va he lived in Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County and served out his enlistment for the war, and after the war in 1790 he went into Faquire County Va and intermarried with

Hannah Rector, that after deponent was married he became acquainted with Wm. Asberry, with who he continued to be acquainted untill the year 1814 when he died in Fleming County Ky, that from the frequent conversation Deponent had with said Asberry, at diferent times touching events of the Revolution, deponent had no doubt that he was a soldier of the Virginia line and served in the Southern division of the Army as he often spoke of Col. Marrion [sic: Gen. Francis Marion of South Carolina] and having been at the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781] at Guilford Courthouse [15 Mar 1781] & other places. Deponent did not know said Asberry in the service but from the habits & bearing & tenor of said Asberrys course in life Deponent never doubted he was a regular soldier of the Revolution & was reputed as such all his life. In 1790 Asberry was living with Susan his wife lived with him & still continued to live with him untill 1814 when he died that his widow married Bateman & he died & is now a widow in Mason County Ky that said Asberry has now living as his childrin Caleb Asberry, Benj Asberry, & Elizabeth wife of Thos Glascock & Mrs Plumer one lives in Ky & the others in Ia all the others are dead, further Dept saith not
Burtis Ringo

The Deposition of Hannah Ringo aged 75 years taken in the County of Fleming County Kentucky the 28th of April 1845 who on her Oath states that she was born and raised in the County of Faquire Virginia, that she is a relation of Susan Bateman now living in Mason County Ky That they were raised in the same neighborhood in the County of Faquire Va. Susan Bateman before mentioned was Susan Glascock in the neighborhood of Goosonik[?], said County, that shortly after the war of the Revolution she thinks about the year 1784 William Asberry came into the neighborhood in Faquire Cty Va and proposed to marry Susan Glasscock and her father and all the family objected to the marriage on the account, as they alleged that said Wm Asberry was a Soldier and had served through all the war in the Regular line and was thought a disipated man the friends of Miss Glasscock investigated and talked of the man and his habits and all though his habits as contracted in the army was such as to unfit him for marriage, there was no doubt then in the neighborhood that said Asberry had come from the army and had served in the Southern division as report said, his conversation & manner was that of a soldier and notwithstanding the objection as made the said Wm Asberry did marry Susan Glascock about the year 1784 and lived in said County Va near 20 years, and then moved to Fleming County Ky a few years or the year before the Deponent that she was a neighbor to said Asberrys from his marriage in Va to his death in Ky in Fleming County in the year 1814, that he was allways was reputed to have been a regular soldier of the State of Va and was allways a disipated man he was six feet high a slim man, and blue eyed, that after the death of said Wm Asberry, Susan his widow intermarried with [Blank] Batemen and about the year 1835 said Bateman died and said Susan Bateman is still living in Mason County Ky that deponent was not at the weding of Susan Glasscock & Wm Asberry but was in the neighborhood some six miles off and she was only 13 years old and had not set out at that time that she is now the wife of Burtis Ringo with whom she intemarried in 1790 in the Coty of Faquire Va & that each of them are now living Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid
Hannah herXmark Ringo

NOTE: On 23 Oct 1848 Susan Bateman, about 91, applied for a pension under a later act. In an application for bounty land dated 5 Apr 1855 Susan Bateman's age was said to be 97.