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Pension application of Richard Brown W5873

Ann Brown

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State of North Carolina

On this 7th day of May in the year of our Lord 1839 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Bladen Ann Brown, a resident of Bladen County aged sixty-seven years, who being 1st duly sworn, according to law, doth, on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed July 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows": That she is the widow of Richard Brown who was a soldier in the Army of the revolutionary war in the militia. That she cannot tell the time when he entered the service, but she has always understood he continued in service until the close of the war: that she does not know personally of any engagements he was in, nor does she know the names or rank of the officers under whom he served: That he resided in Bladen County in the State of North Carolina when he entered the service: that she knows nothing further of his service; that she has no documentary evidence of [his service] in support of her claim except that relative to the marriage.

She further declares that she was married to the said Richard Brown on the 12th day of April A.D. 1792, as will be seen by a leaf of the old family Bible hereto attached of which said marriage is recorded. That she has not been married since. That her husband the aforesaid Richard Brown died on the 13th day of April A.D. 1822, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the 1st of January 1794; that the time above stated.

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written, before the George W Bannerman, Richard S Gillespie and Durham Lewis & James J McDougald Justices holding the court.

S/ Ann Brown



[p 9: on August 14, 1855 in Bladen County North Carolina, the widow filed for her bounty land entitlement stating that her agent that time was 84 years of age.]

[p 12: copy of the marriage bond certificate dated May 8, 1792 issued in Bladen County North Carolina to Richard Brown and John White to secure the marriage of Richard Brown to Nancy Andres.]

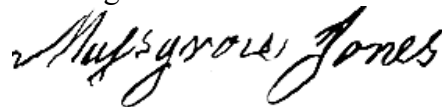
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State of North Carolina Bladen County: On this the 31st day of January 1846 personally appeared before me Amos Cain one of the acting Justices of the peace for the said County Musgrove Jones¹ a resident of said County & State and a pensioner of the United States aged eighty-four years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement to wit: that he was in the days of the Revolution well acquainted with Richard Brown of the said County and State that he was with the said Brown in the service about three weeks under the command of Captain Erwin – and that he the said Richard Brown was a good soldier, and that he this deponent thanks the said Brown served [indecipherable word, looks like "gooded"] in the war, but that he cannot tell as to any more than the said 3 weeks.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and date 1st above written before me

S/ A. Cain, JP

S/ Musgrove Jones



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Richard Cheshire² being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth and saith as follows to wit: I was acquainted with Richard Brown during the war of the Revolution: he both joined a volunteer company under Jarrot Ervin, Captain, and one Mulford, first Lieutenant some time near the first breaking out of the war but I cannot remember the date exactly; he continued in service six months. Soon after I joined I went to Fayetteville where I met with Richard Brown, after that I was ordered to go to Cheraw, I left him in Fayetteville and when I came back to this country I found him here still in the company. At the end of the six months we were both discharged. After that we both continued to follow the various scouting parties of the Whigs for several years. I do not know of Richard Brown's having been in any regular battle though he was in active service all the time. General Thomas Brown was the commanding officer of our district. Richard Brown was a private all the time.

S/ Richard Cheshire, X his mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of November 1845

S/ K. S. Gillespie, JP

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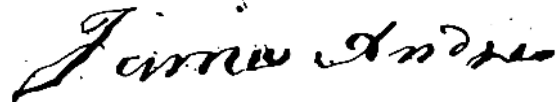
Personally appeared before me John A Robeson a Justice of the Peace for the County of Bladen on this 7th day of Me A.D. 1839 James Anders who makes oath that he knew Richard Brown who served as a soldier in the militia – during the War of the Revolution. That he does not recollect the day or year precisely when he entered the service, but that he is certain he was in the service 3 years, that he served from the time he entered the service until the close of the war: that he resides in Bladen County when he entered the service, that he frequently was marched up the Cape Fear River and through the Southwestern part of North Carolina and into South Carolina, that he was a drafted soldier: That he was in a skirmish with the Tories at Elizabethtown and at Drowning Creek. That he was part of the time under Captain Jared Irvin and part of the time

¹ [Musgrove Jones S7094](#)

² [Richard Cheshire W25403](#)

under Captain Mumford.

S/ James Andres³

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Andres".

[p 4: family record]

Rich'd Brown & Ann Anders was Married April 12th 1792 and the Daughter of Rich & Ann Brown Elizabeth Brown was born June 7 1793 and died 20 March

George Brown was May 7 1795

Ann Anders was born 15 of May 1772

Geo W. Brown was Married January 21 1836 to Martha A. Allen and the Daughter Martha of

Geo. W. Brown was Born April 23rd 1837

Lucey A. Brown

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848]

³ [James Anders S6516](#)