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Pension Application of William Burk W5951

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State of Virginia } Ss

Fauquier County }

On this 18th day of July 1838 personally appeared before the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in the county aforesaid Susanna Burk a resident of sd. County aged Eighty eight years, who being first 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 4th 1836: That she is the Widow of William Burk decd. who was a soldier of infantry during the Revolutionary War, That he enlisted with Capt. Wallace in King George County Virginia soon after they were married, early in the summer of seventeen hundred and seventy eight for the term of — and continued in the service until the fall of 1781 after the Capture of Lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781]. She further declares that she was married to the said William Burk on the first day of February 1778 in the County of King George aforesaid & in the Parrish of St. Paul's, that her husband the said Burk died on the 18th day of May 1803, and that she has remained a Widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed

Susannah herXmark Burk

NOTE: The file includes a return by Rev. William Stuart of the marriage as follows: William Burke and Susanna Sweney February 1st seventeen hundred and seventy eight (1778). On 6 Sep 1838 Anna Smith, 69, stated that she distinctly remembered when her father and William Burk entered the service together about two months after Burk's marriage and "the great distress his absence occasioned his wife."