Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land application relating to George Handley [Handly] BLWt1255-300  f7GA

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Warrant No. 1255 issue to Thomas H Handley heir of Captain George Handley of the Georgia Line for 300 acres of Land August 4th, 1827 and delivered to Wm M. Stewart.

Territory of Florida
Mid: District, Leon County Office in Tallahassee 18th of July 1827

I certify that satisfactory evidence was adduced to me, to prove that Thomas H Handley is the only child and heir at law in fee of George Handley1 Esquire late a soldier in the 1st Regiment of Continental Troops in Georgia commanded by Colonel Joseph Habersham in the Army of the United States.

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of July 1827

S/ David [illegible], Judge of the County Court for the County of Leon Mid: Florida

Memo: There is no County seal. The Commission of George Handley Captain &c &c dated the 19th of October 1776 signed by John Hancock, President, & attested by Charles Thomson Secretary to Congress is in possession of Thomas H Handley his son

Territory of Florida Leon County
I Thomas H Handley heir at law of George Handley do upon oath testify and declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that the said George Handley entered the service of the United States on the 19th day of October 1776 for the term of during the War, as a Captain, and that in that capacity he commanded the 1st Company of the 1st Regiment under the command of Colonel Joseph Habersham of the Continental Line, and that he continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the War of the Revolution.

I further declare that I never have received a warrant for the bounty land promised to the said George Handley 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 Thomas H Handley aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint R. R. Call of Tallahassee Florida my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive from 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 fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for these specific purposes above expressed.

S/ Thos. H. Handley

1 See B208 where the veteran signed a pay roll as “George Handly"