Pension Application of Enoch Bradford R1126
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Be it known that on this 13th day of February 1849 Personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State above mentioned duly Commissioned and Qualified according to Law and by law authorised to administer Oath Fielding Bradford Aged Eighty two years past a resident of said County of Scott and State of Kentucky and after being duly sworn according to Law doth make Oath to the following declaration Viz that he had a Brother named Enoch Bradford who served the space of six months under one engagement as a private Soldier during the Revolutionary war -- that declarants Father & Family resided in the County of Fauquire [sic: Fauquier] in the State of Virginia at the time the said brother Enoch engaged in the service above mentioned

That to his recollection the said Enoch Bradford engaged and served as a private soldier a second time and was in the service of the United States at the taking of Cornwallis [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] and his command but how long he served at that time or engagement declarant is not Positive but believes it was six months tho he is not certain as to the month or year that the same Brother at either time above mentioned entered the service or as to the time he left it but believes it was in the fall or winter of the year of 1778 when he first entered the Service as a volunteer & in 1781 he went as a Substitute for Benjamin Little s’d Enoch Bradford was to receive for his service the government pay as a private soldier declarant does not recollect the name Positively of the Captain, (but believes it was Wm. Greene [William Green]) which the said Enoch was a member of either time of serving or any of the officers at all or the regiment to which either company was attached but that he went from Virginia and served at least Nine or twelve months he is very confident that said Brother Enoch died in Scott County Kentucky on the Twentieth day of July in the year of 1823 Leaving a widow whose name is Mary Bradford who Has Remained a Widow ever since and whose name was Mary Chinn before her intermarriage with the said Enoch Bradford which marriage was solemnized in the County of Fayett State of Kentucky on the 1st day of April 1788 at the house and resident of John Randell the brother in law of the said Mary Bradford, as declarant well recollects of being at said Mariage that declarant has resided in the State of Kentucky 61 years past Fifty two years of which time he has resided in Scott County in said State and all said time within One half mile of the residence of said Widow Mary Bradford

declarant states he believes from his best recollection his Brother Enoch at one of the engagements or terms of service he was mustered in the Services at culpepper [sic: Culpeper] Courthouse believes it was spring or early in summer declarant states that Ambrose Dudly a Minister of the gospel of the Baptist church duly authorised by law to solemnize the rights of Matrimony married his Brother Enoch Bradford & Mary Chinn at the time stated aforesaid

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Be it known that on this 14th day of February 1849 Personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County and State above mentioned duly commissioned and Qualified according to law and by law authorised to administer Oaths Dan’l Bradford [Daniel Bradford] a resident of said County of Scott and State of Kentucky and after being duly sworn according to Law Doth make Oath to the following Declaration Viz. That he is the son of Enoch Bradford Deceased who Died in the county of Scott and State of Kentucky on July 20th in the year 1823 -- that he has from an early age believed his Father the said Enoch Bradford Deceased was a private Soldier during the war of the Revolution --
that the said service in the army of the Revolution rendered by his said Father is a tradition in the Family
reputed and believed as being true as any fact held by tradition and as firmly believed as there was an
american Revolution that the said Enoch Bradford intermarried married with Mary Chinn in Fayette
County Kentucky on the 1st day of Aprile 1788 as recorded in the old Family Bible of his s’d Father Enoch
Bradford Dec’d – of the truth and correctness of said record has not a single doubt and that he died as
aforesaid leaving Mary Bradford his widow who has remained a widow ever since – that for many years
past Declarant has desired his Mother the s’d Mary Bradford to claim the benefit of the pension Law in
favor of Widows of Officers & Soldiers who served in the War of the Revolution which he has at all times
considered her entitled to and which Claim has been delayed more through indiference or neutrality (on
her part) than for any good reason to doubt her right to a pension (even if hard to establish) Declarant
recollects Divers Conversations with Lewis Corbin [pension application S30949] who Declarant believes
knew all about his fathers services who was in the Army with him and s’d Corbin has many years past
urged Declarant to apply for a pension for Declarants Mother and gave many accounts of the service in
the Revolution of him & Enoch Bradford the Father of Declarant and that the said Lewis Corbin applied
for and was allowed a pension (under the Act of June 7th 1832) and was placed on the Pension list Roll of
the Kentucky agency about ___ years since if he is mistaken – Declarant believes and is fully satisfied that
his father the said Enoch Bradford served six months as a private soldier in the Winter 1779 & Spring
1780 Declarant paid great attention and was delighted to hear his father relate incidents of the American
Revolution and his services when present with other Old Soldiers Declarant is satisfied his Father Enoch
Bradford served a second time or engagement in the fall of 1781 and was musterd in the service in
culpeper for a term of six months and was at the Capture of Cornwallis’ Army he has heard his father
Enoch Bradford relate many incidents of his last engagement and recollects of his relating many things
happening at culpeper court house Declarant does not know or recollect the names of any of the
Company officers or Regimental officers under whom the said Enoch Bradford served or where or when
served or was discharged – but he resided in the County of Fauquier in the State of Virginia when he
entered the service as a soldier as above mentioned

Dan’l Bradford

NOTE: William Wiggington stated that he had heard his father-in-law, Lewis Corbin, say that he had
served in the same company with Enoch Bradford. On 31 March 1852 Mary Bradford assigned power of
attorney to obtain a pension for the services of her late husband.