Pension Application of Isaac Browning R12796
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

The United States, Dr.

To Isaac Browning, a Lieutenant in the __ Regiment in the Virginia Line (commanded by Col. Crockett [Joseph Crockett, pension application S46377]) in the Revolutionary War.

For his half pay from 22d December 1781 to 1st November 1808 [date of death] in pursuance of the 3rd Section of an Act of Congress “to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia,” approved 5th July, 1832, being 26 years 315 days at £48 Virginia currency, equal to $160 per annum amounting to $4298.08

Auditor’s office/ April 26th, 1834/ (signed) Wm. Parker

[Copy certified 17 Feb 1848.]

[Joel D. Browning of Hopkins County KY, administrator de bonis non of the estate of his father, Isaac Browning, successfully appealed the above settlement citing the following two documents as proof that his father was a Captain rather than a Lieutenant when he left the service.]

A Board of Officers, Ordered to set by Gen’l George Rogers Clark to examine into the Claims of the Officers of Colo [Joseph] Crockett’s Regiment Respecting their Ranks.

Colo John Montgomery [R16522] President
Maj’r Thos Quirk [Thomas Quirk, W5958] } Members {Capt. Brashears [Richard Brashear]
Capt R George [Robert George, R14396] } {Capt J Girault [John Gerault]

After Examining the Claims of all the Officers of said Regiment, and their Certificates from Colo Crockett, and being informed that the Regiment never consisted of more than Six Captains, mustered and doing duty. The Board are of Opinion that the said Regiment should be continued full to that number by promotion of the Officers now Commissioned and upon examination find that the Officers are Intitled to the following promotions Viz.

Ensign Moore To a Lieutenancy the 1st July 1780 by the promotion of Lt Kerney to Capt.
Ens McGavock To a Lieutenancy the 15th Aug’t 1780 by the Resignation of Lieut McGill.
Lieut Glenn To a Captain the 13th Oct 1780 by the death of Captain Kenley [Benjamin Kinley].
Ensign Walls To a Lieutenant the 13th Oct 1780 by the promotion of Lieutenant Glenn.
Ens Bullock To a Lieutenant the 11th Jan’y 1781 by Lieut Dan’l Anderson’s [Daniel Anderson’s] Dismission.
Lt Browning To a Captain the 2nd Sept 1781 by the death of Capt [John] Chapman.
Lieu Moore To a Captain 2nd Sept 1781 by the death of Capt [Abraham] Tipton.
Ens Deering To a Lieutenant 2nd Sept 1781 by the promotion of Lieut. Browning.
Ens Greer To a Lieutenant the 2nd Sept 1781 by the promotion of Lieut Moore.

Jno. Montgomery Pres’t/ G W[sic] Clark B.G.

In Council April 4th 1782/ Referred to the Commissioner of War Benj Harrison.

[Copy certified 20 Oct 1848 in Auditor’s Office, Richmond.]
Moore  Peter [W25716]     D'o       194  12  2
McGavock  Hugh [S16948]  D'o       291  0  11
Walls  Thomas [R18784]   D'o       155  9  2

I hereby Certify that the foregoing Officers belonged to Crocketts Regiment, that when they
settled their pay accounts their rank in the Regiment was as above; and that they received Certificates for
the amounts opposite each of their names, for balance of full pay.

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond this 24th day of October 1848
Jas. E. Heath Aud of Accts

[The following is among the bounty-land claims in the Library of Virginia.]

State of Kentucky
Frankfort  Nov'r 8th 1804  personally appeared Before me the Subscriber one of the County Judges of s'd
state Lieut Colonel Crocket Comandant of the Regiment raised by the State of Virginia in the year 1779
for the defence of the Western Frontier of the State and made Solemn Oath that he is well acquainted with
Isaac Browning now resident in the County of Logan & State of Kentucky & that the same Isaac Browning
was a Lieutenant in Capt Charry’s [sic: William Cherry’s, R13143] Company in said Regiment, in which
Station the said Browning continued & served with Honour during the existence of said Regiment & the
said Lieut Col Crocket further says that the said Browning haveing served two years previously in the 3d
Virginia Regiment he considers him equally intitled to the State & Cotinental bounty Land in proportion
to his rank with himself which bounty he has received

NOTE: Among rejected claims in the Library of Virginia is a petition to the Governor for an increase in
bounty land from the 1333½ acres due a Lieutenant to 2666½ acres for a Captain was made by Joel D.
Browning, Joshua Browning, and Elizabeth Hardison (wife of John Hardison). Another document in the
file gives the name of the mother of these heirs as Henrietta Jamerson, formerly Henrietta Browning.