Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Job Buckley R5042
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State of Virginia } SS.
County of Westmoreland }

On this 26th day of May AD 1855 personally appeared before me John F Brockenbrough a Justice of the peace within and for said County and State Susannah Hinson whose maiden name was Susannah Newcomb aged 95 years a resident of Richmond County in the State of Virginia who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of one Job Buckley a revolutionary soldier. That she has been married twice – first to the said Buckley, then to William Henson – that both husbands are now dead – that her said husband Job Buckley was a private in the company commanded by Captain Daniel Morgan, better known as General Morgan – that he (Job Buckley) stated he was at the battle of the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781] – that he was also at Quebec [1 Jan 1776], but how long he served, and when he was discharged she does not now recollect, but thinks it was for the war. that she has no doubt the record of the company in the County of Frederick in the State of Va. will shew all the facts in the case supposed to be in the pension office at Washington.

She further states that she was married to the said Job Buckley some 8 miles from Winchester in the County of Frederick State of Virginia on the [blank] day of May 1793 by one Nash Legrand a minister of the Baptist Church – that he said husband Job Buckley died — day of [blank] AD 1795 in the said County of Frederick and State of Virginia, and that she is now a widow

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining any half pay, pension or other money that may be due her as widow of said Buckley under the act passed 7th July 1838 or under any other act of Congress. She also declares she has never applied for any pension or other money and never received any thing therefor. Susannah herXmark Hinson

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On this the 6 day of October 1856 personally appeared before [illegible] in the County of Westmoreland aged 96 years, Susannah Henson, a resident of Richmond County, who being 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 7th 1838, Entitled “An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows”

That she is the widow of Job Buckley dec’d, who was enlisted during the war of the Revolution in the town of Winchester, in the County of Frederick, State of Virginia, and sometime in the year 1778 in the company commanded by Capt Thomas Berry; that his said Company was attached to the 8th Regiment of the Virginia line upon Continental establishment then in New Jersey, and at that time she thinks commanded by Colonel John Neville – that in the Spring of 1778 he joined the main army she thinks under Genl. Washington and was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777] and Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] – that her said husband was a regularly enlisted soldier and was enlisted for two or three years; that the only evidence she can produce of the term of his enlistment is the Journals of the House of Delegates of Virginia & also the requisition of Congress at the period of his enlistment, and also the fact that there were no soldiers enlisted for the Regalar Army for less than two years – she states also that her husband was a man of little or no education & no doubt for that reason, not knowing his rights & what was due him, failed to establish his claim to depreciation of pay &c against the State of Virginia; She states that she has frequently heard her late husband (Job Buckley) speak of his services during the war & has not herself the slightest doubt of his having served; that she is now a very old
woman and cannot expect long to live, and that she would not present a claim for the services of Job Buckley her late husband unless the frequent conversations during his lifetime, the general reputation he bore during his life time as a revolutionary soldier and particularly at the time of their marriage when many who had survived the glorious struggle for independence were still living and could have corrected public opinion at the time, but so far from any intimation having been made of his not having served, it was generally admitted, from these facts & &c she has not the most remote doubt of his service — indeed it is a conviction else she would not be presenting this claim for his services.

That she was married to the said Job Buckley (who was then a widower), in the County of Frederick State of Virginia on the 13th day of May 1793 by the Revd Nash Legrand a minister of the Gospel and that her maiden name before marriage was Susannah Newcomb; that the said Job Buckley died on the [blank] day of [blank] 1793 or 4 at Pine Hills Frederick County the State of Virginia, and that after his death she was married to William Henson of Frederick County on the [blank] day of [blank] 1794 she thinks, and that her last named husband died on the 3 day of May 1850, at home Richmond County and that she has never married again but is still a widow.

That at the time of my marriage with Job Buckley dec’d he was a widower having been married before and had children by his said marriage, that to the best of her recollection the name of his first wife was Catharine, certainly and beyond question he was a widower and that he had a wife during the war of the revolution.

That she has presented all the facts she can in relation to her husband’s service and can only refer the department to the evidence already on file and the record evidence herewith transmitted to the office which she trusts will be deemed sufficient to establish her claim. Susannah herXmark Henson