Pension Application of David Baggarly W8120
Rebecca Baggarly MD
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The file includes a pension certificate issued to Rebecca Baggarly on 6 Sep 1851, but I could not find the pension application.]

Land Office/ Annapolis, 11th July, 1848.
I hereby Certify, that by a record in this office, headed as follows, “Alphabetical List of discharged Soldiers of two Battalions of Militia raised to serve in the Continental Army in the year 1781,” that the name of David Beggerly, appears upon said list, to have received £10.13.4, and to have been discharged on the 8th day of December 1781.

George G. Brewer/ Reg’r. Land Off. Md.

State of North Carolina  }
Iredell County  }  ss

Be it known that on this 2nd day of August 1848 personally appeared before me W J Cowan a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, Zachariah Summers a resident of said county & aged about eighty four years, who is a credible witness, and who after being duly sworn deposes and saith, that he was well acquainted with David Begarly the husband of Rebecca Begarly, now living in Lincoln County & State of Tennessee, that they were raised & lived near each other in the county of Montgomery & State of Maryland. that he knows of his own knowledge that said David Begarly was drafted in said county & served a tour under captain Burgess in Gen’l. Smallwoods [William Smallwood’s] Brigade or regiment. That deponent was not in the service with said Begarly, but knows that he went into the service as above stated, that he said Begarly was universally reputed by the people of his neighborhood to have been in the service as aforesaid, & that he was in the Seige at Yorktown when Lord Cornwallace surrendered [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781]; that he deponent has frequently heard said Begarly speaking of his being in that Seige, and that he deponent never heard the fact of Begarly’s being there disputed, altho he frequently heard his neighbors speaking of the circumstance – deponent is certain that said Begarly served as aforesaid one tour of three months, he thinks he probably served longer but is not certain of that fact. that deponent lived a near neighbor to said Begarly after they both removed to Iredell County North Carolina for the space of twenty five years and up to the period of the death of said Begarly, that he & said Rebecca now his widow always lived in a reputable manner as man & wife up to said period – that from great bodily infirmity deponent is entirely unable to appear in open Court to make this affidavit – further deponat saith not. Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & year aforesaid

Zechariah hisXmark Summers

State of Tennessee, County of Lincoln  S.S.

On this 1st day of September A.D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty five personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Rebecca Baggerly aged Ninety four years, a resident of Lincoln County in the State of Tennessee, who being duly sworn according to law, declares, that she is the widow of David Baggerly, deceased, who was a private soldier in the company commanded by Captain [blank] in the [blank] Regiment of Maryland Militia commanded by [blank] in the war of the Revolution.

That her said husband was drafted in Maryland on or about the [blank] day of May A.D., 1781 for the term of Six Months for proof of his services in said War of the Revolution of her marriage with the said David Baggerly and his death she refers to the proof on file in the pension office in her application for pension and that her name before her said marriage was Rebecca Belt that her said husband died in North Carolina on the 18th day of December A.D., 1817 and that she is now a widow.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be
entitled under the “act approved March 3d, 1855.” Rebecca herMark Baggerly
[Witnessed by Archibald McKee and Wm. B. McKee.]

NOTES:

On 2 Aug 1848 Elisabeth Campbell, about 81, of Iredell County NC, stated that she witnessed
the marriage of her sister, Rebecca Belt, officiated by an Episcopal minister in 1782 at the house of her
father, Thomas Belt, in Montgomery County MD.

The file contains a family record copied from a family Bible printed in 1808, transcribed below.
Archibald McKee of Lincoln County TN, who was born on 27 May 1791, certified that the family record
was copied into the Bible within two weeks after his marriage to Ethiel Baggarly.

Born, David Baggarly January 19th 1761
Born, Rebekah Baggarly David Baggarly’s wife January 5th 1761
Married David Baggarly unto Rebekah Belt May 19th and in the year of our Lord 1782
  Born, Thomas Baggarly David & Rebekah’s 1st Son March 22nd 1783
  Born Benjamin Baggarly, David & Rebekah’s 2nd Son February 23rd 1785
  Born Rebekah Baggarly, David & Rebekah’s 1st Daughter August 19th 1787
  Born David Baggarly, David & Rebekah’s 3rd Son August 16th 1790
  Born Selah Baggarly, David & Rebekah’s 2nd daughter May 26th 1792
  Born Female Baggarly, David & Rebekah’s 3rd daughter April 27th 1795
  Born David Belt Baggarly, David & Rebekah’s 4th son September 4th 1797
  Born Ethiel Baggarly, David & Rebekah’s 4th daughter October 29th 1800
Married, Ethiel Baggarly to Archibald McKee October 7 1819
  Cap. David Baggarly Died December 18th 1817