Pension Application of Abraham Dale W8648 Mary Dale VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[On 15 March 1841 Mary Dale made an application that is less detailed than the following.]

State of Kentucky Woodford County ss
On the 12th day of March 1842 personally appeared before, Hiram Wilhoit a justice of the peace in and for said county Mary Dale, a resident of Kentucky in the county of Woodford, aged Seventy two years, who being first 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 Abraham Dale who was a private in the army of the Revolution, but cannot state the names of the officers under, whom he served, nor the length of time he was in the service, though she has often heard her husband speak of the times he was in the service and the officers under whom he served, her not being acquainted with her husband at the time he performed the service, and the length of time since, she heard him relate those circumstances, renders her unable (for want of recollection,) to say more than, that she recollects hearing him say that he received a discharge at the close of war. She further declares that she has heard her husband say that he was in the service with his brother William Dale [pension application W9828], who was a pensioner, and she refers the department, (To the records of the department) for the names of the officers under whom her husband served.

She further declares that she was married to the said Abraham Dale on the 20th day of December 1787 in Fayette county State of Kentucky, and she refers the department to an original record kept in a family Bible (now in their possession) giving the date of her marriage, together with the dates of the birth of her children, and she prays that the same may be made a part of her declaration, that her husband the aforesaid Abraham Dale died in the month of November 1831, that she was not married prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four (viz) at the time before stated, and that she is still his widow. She hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and she declares that her name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year first herein written [signed] Mary Dale

The deposition of Isaac Howard taken at his house in Woodford County and state of Kentucky on the 29th day of May 1841. The deponent being of lawful age, and first duly sworn according to law, deposeseth and saith, that he was acquainted with Abraham Dale before and since the Revolutionary war, that during said war he lived in the County of Richmond and State of Virginia and that he was a private in the army of the Revolution, but cannot state the precise length of time he served, though distinctly recollects that he served out the time for which he was enrolled, which was either twelve or eighteen months. Furthermore the deponent saith, that previous to the year 1789 Abraham Dale removed to the state of Kentucky, and was Married to Mary Weekly, and settled then in Fayette County on that part, of which Woodford County has since been composed, and continued there to reside until his death, & where mary Dale his widow at present resides, further the deponent saith not [signed] Isaac hisXmark Howard

The deposition of William Tillery taken at his house in the County of Woodford and State of Kentucky on the 7th day of June 1841
The deponent being of lawful age and first duly sworn deposeth and saith, that he was acquainted with Abraham Dale before and since the Revolutionary war, that he resided in the County of Richmond and
state of Virginia during said war. The deponent further saith that Abraham Dale was drafted, from the
said county of Richmond and served as a private in the army of the Revolution, and from his best
recollection, believes that he served eighteen months, but from the length of time since the deponent is
unable to state under whom he served or year in which he was drafted. The deponent further saith, that
when Abraham Dale was drafted into the service as above stated his Brother William Dale, substituted for
an other man (he believes Thomas Yearby) and went into the service with Abraham Dale and on account
of which service William Dale drew a pension.

The deponent further saith, that some two or three years, after the draft above alluded to, he saw
Abraham Dale again in the service, at the Seige of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781],
The deponent further saith, that Abraham Dale removed from the state of Virginia (about the year 1785.)
to the state of Kentucky, and settled in (then Fayette,) now Woodford County where he continued to
reside up to the time of his death and where his widow Mary Dale continues to reside and further the
deponent saith not

William hisXmark Tillery

NOTE: The family record transcribed below is from the reverse side of the title page of a New Testament
dated 1791. On 5 Jan 1842 Jane Arnold stated that the oldest daughter of Abraham and Mary Dale was “in
her Forty ninth year, and that there were three older than her, who died in their infancy.”

Cagely Dale Son to George Dale and Hannah his wife w[page torn] born October the 3rd day 1778 Anno
Domino

The year of our lord 1787 Abraham Dale & Mary Weakley was married the 20th of December 1787.
Jeremiah Dale was born November the 12th day 1788.
Stephen Dale was born December the 17th day 1789.
Thomas Dale was born April the 20 day 1791
Achsah Dale was born February the 20th day 1793.
Noah Dale was born January the 15th day 1796.
Phebe Dale was born October 6th day 1798.
Weakley Dale was born May the 19th day 1801.
Timothy Redding Dale was born January the 1st 1804
Perlina Dale was born August the 2nd day 1806.
Dudley Dale was born August the 5th day 1809.
Abraham N. Dale was born February the 18th day 1812[?]
Maryann Dale was born the July the 29th day 1814.