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Burke, Robert
Hannah

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Kentucky

Robert Burke

Brown Co in the State of Kentucky
who was a ^{1st} Sgt in the Company commanded
by Captain Browning of the Regt commanded
by Col Thorne in the Virginia War
for 18 months from 1777

Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky
at the rate of 70 Dollars — Cents per annum,
commences on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 26 day of June
1873 and sent to H. R.
M. Johnson by + mgs R

Bears to the 1st of March 1873 \$140. —
Pensioner's allowance ending 4 Sep " 35 —

\$175. —

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
{ Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by Wm Allison Clerk,
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See letter to Sec. War, Oct. 4, 1845.

5065
Kentucky.
Hannah Burke
widow of *Robert Burke*
who served in the Revolutionary
war, as a *private & sergt.*

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of
70 Dollars

Cents per annum, to commence on
the 4th day of March, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the
7th day of *Sept. 1848*
and sent to

A. Ray
Present.

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners
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act March 3
May 30 1858

Civ. H. G. Smith, Mch. 11/158

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und ~~St~~

Robert B. ~~Smith~~
C. W. ~~Smith~~

C. W. ~~Smith~~
W. A. ~~Smith~~

1780 } Per
1781 } Per
Per Pensines

Ky Feb 48 - 5065

H. 160 (M. 24/52)
J. H. ~~Smith~~

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George G. Smith
Oventon 1858

W. B. 142.

"A list of Marriages to be recorded
July 10 1793 Robert Burke and Hannah Jones
Lewis Corbin"

Virginia to wit

I Samuel C. Williams Clerk of the County
Court of Shenandoah certify that the foregoing is a true copy as
extract from the record of marriages in my office

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed the seal of said Court this 10 day of
July 1849 and in the 74 year of the Commonwealth

Sam^l C. Williams C. C.

State of Kentucky
County of Owen

On this 5th day of June 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Justice of the Owen County Court now sitting, Robert Burke a resident of the said County of Owen and State of Kentucky aged 72 years, who being first duly sworn according to law with oil his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

6 That he entered the service of the United States under the following names officers and served as herein stated - that is to say, being a resident of the County of Culpepper and State of Virginia, he did on the day of May 1777 as well as he remembers enter the service of the United States as a volunteer soldier upon a tour of six months in the company of Captain James Browning - That immediately upon his entry into the service he was appointed by his said Captain or duly Sergeant of his said company and served as such during the whole of his tour of duty which was six months as aforesaid - that he rendezvoused with his said company at the Courthouse in the said County of Culpepper and was attached to a regiment under the command of Colonel William Thorne - that the Major's name was William Roberts - He further declares that he was detached by his Captain with a portion of the said company, and by his direction and that of his Colonel he remained in the said County instead of marching with the Regiment - that he was thus detached and stationed in said County for the purpose of impressing provisions, transport for the use of the Army, and he continued engaged in so doing and in sending the articles so impressed to the troops under the by virtue of the special direction of his said officers during the whole of his said tour, which he states and declares he served out fully and faithfully and was at the termination thereof honourably discharged and thereupon returned to his home -

3 He further states and declares that on the day of September 1778 as well as he remembers he again entered the service of the United States as a drafted militia man and private soldier, then upon a tour of three months in the company of Capt Geo. Johnson, regular

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- that he rendezvoused with his said company at the tavernhouse of John Corbin in the said County of Culpeper in which he still lived - that one Satchel Johnson was the lieutenant of the company to which he belonged - that from said place of rendezvous he was marched with his said company to the Barracks at Albemarle old Courthouse and there came under the command of Col. Walker and Major Roberts both of whom he believes were regular officers - He states that there were 2 or 500 Regular Soldiers stationed at that place & some Militia who had in charge and was guarding about 500 prisoners - He states that he continued stationed at the said Barracks during the whole period of his said tour which was three months as aforesaid assisting in guarding the said prisoners and after having served out his ~~said~~ tour fully and faithfully he was discharged in writing by his Captain and returned to his place of residence in Culpeper County -

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He further states and declares that on the day of October 1779 as well as he remembers he again entered the service of the United States upon a tour of three months as a drafted Militia man and private soldier in the company of Capt. James Browning - that the name of the lieutenant of said company was William Clunahan - that he again rendezvoused with his company at the tavernhouse of John Corbin in the said County of Culpeper where he still continued to live - that he there came under the command of Col. William Thorn and was marched from thence with his company and several other Militia companies down to the bay coast - that upon the march he recollects that they passed through Spottsylvania, King William and New Kent Counties - that they halted some days at Fredericksburg Va. - that he was at Williamsburg Va. also and was kept stationed at that place longer than at any other during the whole of his tour - He states that the troops with which he was then serving (himself with them) were employed principally in marching from one point to another and protecting the country from the incursions of the British - He states that he served out his said tour of duty fully and faithfully, it being for three months as aforesaid, and was thereupon discharged and permitted to return home -

fully and faithfully, it being for three months as aforesaid, and was thereupon discharged and permitted to return home.

3 The further ~~statement~~ that on the day of July 1780 arrived as he remembers he again entered the Service of the United States as a drafted Militia Man and Private Soldier upon another tour of three months in the Company of Captain George Johnson - that he rendezvoused with his said Company at the Courthouse in Culpepper County Va. in which County he still lived and he there came under the Command of Col. John Thorn - That he was marched from thence with his said Company directly to Williamsburg Va. where he was stationed principally during his said tour of duty - that he was frequently one of parties that were detached to repel incursions from the British and to protect the Country and the inhabitants from their depredations - He states that he served out his said tour of three months fully and faithfully and at the termination thereof was discharged and returned home.

3 He also testifies and declares that on the day of May 1781 he again entered the Service of the United States as a drafted Militia Man and Private Soldier upon a tour of three months in the Company of Captain Blanton - that he rendezvoused with his said Company at the Courthouse in the County of Culpepper in which County he still resided and there came under the Command of ^{Col. John Thorn &} Major Richard Vane - that he was marched with his said Company and various other Militia Companies that had been called out to Blockade Bridge in Surrice County Va. ~~near~~ not very far distant from Richmond which place had a short time before been evacuated by the American troops and taken possession of by the British under Cornwallis - He states that they remained but one night at said Bridge and the next day marched up the Country and a few days after succeeded in joining the American Army under La Fayette which was retreating up the Country and was pursued by the British Army - He states that the retreat and pursuit was continued till the Army of La Fayette reached Albemarle County and which had in the meantime been greatly reinforced by the Militia & some regular

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- that the British then in turn commenced a retreat and the Army of Genl La Fayette engaged in a distant pursuit - that the British continued their retreat to Richmond and thence to Williamsburg and finally crossed James river and went to Portsmouth - that there was a sharp action took place between some of the American troops and the British when the latter was about crossing James River in which the Americans were wounded - that he was not personally engaged in said action though he was with the Army nor was any part of the Brigade to which he belonged engaged in it - He states that there was a good deal of skirmishing between parties belonging to the two armies during their retreat - He states that he continued with the Army and in actual service during the whole period of his said tour of duty and when the same expired he was discharged and permitted to return home -

He also further ^{in the revolutionary war} states and declares that he performed several other short tours of duty besides those mentioned above under Capt. Browning, Johnson and Clanchan amounting in all in addition to the services above enumerated to at least six months which services were performed as a private militia soldier but that from the great lapse of time, his old age and consequent loss of memory he is unable to say at what times or in what years they were performed nor what the particular duration of each of said tours. And from the same cause he cannot swear positively to the date of the several tours above set forth but according to his best recollection he served at the times and in the manner above stated and set forth and that he did not serve in the war of the Revolution less than six months as an orderly Sergeant and eighteen months as a private militia soldier and for said services he claims a pension

He states that he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of ~~no other persons who served in the same manner~~

Knows of ~~any person~~ ~~whose~~ ~~testimony~~ ~~he~~ ~~can~~ ~~procure~~ ~~who~~

No person ~~whose~~ ~~testimony~~ ~~he~~ ~~can~~ ~~procure~~ ~~who~~
can testify to any part of his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or
annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not
on the Pension roll of the agency of any State

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

his
Robert X Burke
Mark

Interrogatories put to the abovesaid applicant by the Court
1st Where, and in what year, were you born?

Answer. I was born in Culpepper County and State of Virginia
in the year 1761 according to my information

2^d Have you any record of your age, and if so, where is it?

Answer. I have no record of age. The record of my age was con-
tained in a Book in the possession of one William Daniel
who carried it with him to the State of Georgia a number of years
ago, and I have not seen it since then and my present know-
ledge of my age consequently depends upon my recollection of
its contents and upon the information which I derived from
my father.

3^d Where were you living when called into the service; where
have you lived since the revolutionary war, and where do
you now live?

Answer. I lived in Culpepper County, Virginia when I was
called into the service upon each of my tours of duty and
continued to live in the same County for some years after the
revolution and then moved to Shenandoah County Virginia where
I remained till about the year 1798 and I then moved to
the County of Haystack in the State of Ky about 5 miles from the
town of Lexington where I remained till the year 1806 and then

I moved on Eagle Creek in the then county of Sullivan now Owen County, and continued to live in the same neighbourhood until about one year ago and then moved on Lewis Creek in the same County where I still live.

1st How were you called into the service, were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute? And if a substitute for whom?

Answer. Upon my first tour I was a volunteer. Upon all the other tours which I performed I was a drafted Militia Man.

2^d State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such as Colonels and Militia regiments as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. Upon my first tour I was a volunteer for six months and served as orderly Sergeant. I was stationed in Cripplepen County Va. with a small party of my company for the purpose of impressing articles for the use of the Army - and was engaged in that kind of service during the whole of my tour - ~~upon my second tour~~ I do not recollect to have seen whilst upon this tour any officers except those under whose command I was - viz. Col. Wm. Thorn Major William Roberts and my own Company officers ~~and~~ none of whom were regular officers.

Upon my second tour I was stationed at the Barracks at Albemarle old Court House assisting in guarding some prisoners. He was then under the Command of Col. Walker and Major Roberts both of whom he believed were regular officers - ~~he does~~ I do not recollect to have seen upon said tour any other field officers besides those mentioned who were stationed with said troops. Upon my third tour I was under the Command of Col. Thorn. I do not recollect the name of any other field officer who was with the troops - I was marched down to the bay coast was a part of the time at Williamsburg Va. and was employed principally during the tour in aiding in the protection and defence of the country - Upon my fourth tour I was under the command of Col. John Thorn and I do not now remember the name of any of the other field officers. nor do I remember the names of any

of any of the other field officers. nor do I remember the names of any

officers who were with the troops except those under whose command I was. I was employed upon this tour as I was in the preceding in the acting in protecting the country from the incursions of the British. Upon my fifth tour I was under the command of Col. Geo. Thorn and Major Richard Vane. I was marched to Block Bridge in Henrico County Va. and from thence we followed the army of La Fayette and joined it in a few days. Cornwallis with the British Army pursued us up to Albemarle County and then he commenced a retreat and we pursued him. There was a good deal of skirmishing between the parties of the two armies and when the British crossed James River a smart action took place in which our troops were worsted and had to retreat. Upon this tour I recollect to have seen Gen. La Fayette, Wayne & Butlerford. I cannot say that I recollect at this time the names of any of the other field officers who were with the army during this tour. I recollect however that Col. Buford, Col. Clarke, Col. Greene and Col. Morgan were regular officers and that they served with the troops where I did upon some of my tours but which of them I can't say. Upon the short tours of duty which I served I was under the command of Captains alone as well as I remember and those tours were performed in repelling sudden and unexpected incursions of the British. I am satisfied that I did not serve less than two years during the Revolutionary war and six months of that time I served as a sergeant.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given, and what has become of it?

Answer. I never received but one discharge in writing which was upon the termination of my second tour of duty and was signed by Capt Geo. Johnson which I have since lost.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for honesty, and their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution

Witness I will name John Searcy & Landford Johnson.
as persons who live in my present neighbourhood and to whom I am
known.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Robert X Burke
Mark

We John Searcy a clergyman residing in the County of Owen and State
of Kentucky and Landford Johnson residing in the same County and State here-
by certify, that we are well acquainted with Robert Burke who has sub-
scribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be
72 years of age; that he is reputed and believed in the neighbourhood where
he resides, to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we concur in
that opinion.

Sworn, and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

John Searcy
Landford Johnson

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion, after the investigation of
the matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the war depart-
ment, that the abovesigned applicant was a revolutionary soldier and
served as he states. And the Court further certifies, that it appears to
them that John Searcy who has signed the preceding certificate, is
a clergyman resident in the County of Owen and State of Ky. And that
Landford Johnson who has also signed the same is a resident in the
same County and State; and is a credible person and that their state-
ment is entitled to credit.

Wm. W. H. H.

Jas H. Hale
E. H. H. H.

State of Kentucky

Green County 3 S.S.

On this 10th day of May A.D. one
Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty five person-
ally appeared before me I. W. Locatis a Justice of
the Peace within and for the County and State
aforesaid Hannah Burke aged 84 Years
a resident of Green County in the State aforesaid
who being duly sworn according to law declares
that she is the widow of Robert Burke
deceased who was a in the
Company Commanded by Captain Manning Johnson
in the Regiment of Virginia Men
Commanded by Col. Thorn in the
war of the Revolution

That her husband volunteered was drafted in Virginia
on or about the day of
A.D. 1780 for the term of Six months
and continued in actual service in said
war for the term of Six months
and was honorably discharged in Virginia

On the day of A.D.
1781 as will appear by the muster
rolls of said Company & the records of the War Dept.
he being a pensioner of the United States in his lifetime -
She further states that she was married to
the said Robert Burke in Shenandoah

County Virginia on the 13th day of
January A.D. 1788 by one John Gorton
a Baptist Minister and that her name
before her said marriage was Hannah

Jones that her said husband
died in Green County Kentucky on the 28th
day of August A.D. 1845 and she
is now a widow at the date of
executing this her declaration

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3^d 1855. She also declares that she has never applied for nor received under this or any other act of Congress any Bounty land warrant.

Witness I the said Hannah Burkh
hereby constitute and appoint Hugh G. Smith
of Minton Men County Ky my true and lawful
attorney to file this declaration present the
claim to which it refers and for me to
receive the land warrant when issued thereon
and I empower my said attorney to constitute
one or more persons as substitutes or
attorney under him for the special purposes
above expressed.

Hannah Burkh

We Samuel Plummer and Henry Ogden
residents of Owen County Kentucky upon
our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration
and paper were signed and acknowledged
by Hannah Burkh in our presence
and that we believe from the appearance
and statements of the affiant that she
is the identical person she represents herself
to be.

Samuel Plummer

Henry Ogden

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were
shown to me subscribed before me on the
day and Year above written and I
certify that I know the affiants to be credible
persons that the claimant is the person she
represents herself to be and that I have no interest
in this claim.

Wm. S. P. O. C.

State of Kentucky
Owen County & et

On this the 10th day of August 1848 Before me Joel Herndon an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Hannah Burke a resident of the County of Owen State of Kentucky aged about seventy five years who after being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the acts of Congress passed 7th June 17th June 1844 and 2nd February 1848 and the resolution of Congress passed or approved 1st of July 1848 Granting allowances or pensions to certain widows of officers and soldiers of the Revolution. To wit that she is the widow of Robert Burke deceased late of Owen County State of Kentucky who was as she verily believes a private and sergeant in the army of the Revolution in the Virginia Militia and in consequence of his service therein was allowed a pension under the act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832 at the rate of \$70 per annum That since his death she applied for a pension which was never allowed her and to the evidence contained in her application she asks leave to refer in support of her marriage to her said husband which took

place about the year seventeen hundred ninety
one that her husband the aforesaid Robert
Burke died on the 28th day of August ~~the~~
eighteen hundred and forty five and that
since his death she has not again married
but kept remaining his widow she now most
respectfully asks the Honorable Commis-
= sioner of Pensions that an allowance may
be made under the act 17th June 1844 2nd
February 1848 and this Resolution approved
1st July 1848 at the rate of \$70 per annum
and that the certificate of evidencing the
allowance may be enclosed to her attorney
to Joabue Esqr of Frankfort Kentucky and him
only and such others as he may authorize do so
she wish the Hon Commissioner to hold cor-
= respondence in reference to her said claim
sworn to and subscribed on ^{sw}
this the 10th of August 1848 Hannah Burke
Before me Joel Herndon J. J. mark

I Joel Herndon a Justice of the Peace in and for
the county of Owen State of Kentucky do certify
that the above declaration was on this day made
and acknowledged before me. I also certify that the
above named is the widow of Robert Burke deceased
who drew a pension of \$70. per annum and that I
believe that she and the above named Robert Burke

Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th July 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows; Subject to the Act of April 30, 1844 entitled an Act making appropriations for the payment of revolutionary and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending on the 30th June one Thousand eight hundred and forty-five" which declares "that no pension shall be hereafter granted to a widow for the same time that her husband received one

State of Kentucky }
County of Owen — "

On this twenty ninth day of September one Thousand eight hundred and forty six personally appeared before me ~~the~~ a Justice of the Peace in and for the State and County above written Hannah Burk a resident of the County of Owen and State of Kentucky aged seventy-four 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 provisions made by the act of Congress, passed July 7, 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows;" That she is the widow of Robert Burk, who was a soldier of the revolutionary war, and drew a pension of for his services in the war. She says that she refers to the papers on file, as evidence of his services and for the amount he drew as a Pension

She further declares that that she was married to the said Robert Burk on the ~~the~~ thirteenth day of January ~~some~~ in the year seventeen hundred and ninety, that her husband the aforesaid Robert Burk, died on the twenty eighth of August eighteen hundred and forty-five; that she was not married to him 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 above stated and that she was married in the County of Hanover Virginia She further states that she had a family

record
+ which is lost, she refers to the evidence, that she may
serve to establish the marriage as stated by herself
witness
Hannah Burk
most

State of Kentucky
County of Owen

Be it known that personally appeared
before me Justs of the Peace in and for this County and
State above written Hannah Burk, who from bodily
infirmit^y cannot attend the court subscribed and
swore to the above declaration giving from under
my hand this day and date above written, record
in line in the 5th line of the second page before
signed
H. Brown J. P.

State of Kentucky Owen County Jct.
of Rankins R. Redill Clerk of the Court
of Owen County, Certify that J. Brown is
a Magistrate as above, and
that the foregoing signature
purporting to be his is genuine
In testimony whereof I have
hereunto affixed my seal of
office & subscribed my name this 1
day of October 1846
R. R. Redill Clerk of
Owen County Court.

Kentucky Owen County Court do

November Term 1846.

On Motion of William Suggs the Certificate of J. Brown
a justice of the peace for Owen County to the statement of
Hannah Burk upon an application for a pension is
sanctioned by the Court