NC, SC, VA

JOHN MCKENZIE MARTHA MCKENZIE W1049

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Tennessee

**MARTHA MCKENZIE** widow of **JOHN MCKENZIE** who served in the Revolutionary war, as a Capt of Cavy. VA and SC Line.

Inscribed on the roll at a rate of 600 dollars  $\sim$  cents per annum to commence on the  $4^{th}$  day of March, 1848. Increased from \$480.

Certificate of Pension issued the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 1851 and sent to

**R. W YOUNG**, Present.

Communicated.

Dresden, Nov. 11, 1842.

Dear Sir:

Col. J. MCKENZIE, of Carroll county, Tenn., departed this life on Thursday night of 5<sup>th</sup> instant, between 10 and 12 o'clock, aged 85 years 1 month and 10 days. Born September 5, 1757. He was an office of the Revolution, and an aid to General **GREEN** at the battle of Guilford, NC. Thus it is, those who achieved our glorious independence are daily passing away. Col. J. MCKENZIE, a patriot of the Revolution, is no more.

His funeral will be preached at Caledonia by the Rev. Mr. **BAKER**, on the 20<sup>th</sup> inst. The funeral will be in the ancient Masonic form, the deceased being a Master Mason. The fraternity are respectfully invited to addend.

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Tennessee

**JOHN M. MCKENZIE**, deceased, of Carroll Co. in the state of Tennessee who was a Capt. Of the Cav. In the VA, NC, SC line for 2 years, continental.

Inscribed on the roll of Jackson at the rate of \$600 dollars per annum to commence on the  $4^{\rm th}$  day of March, 1831, and ending 5 November, 1842. Increased from \$480.

Certificate of Pension issued the 23 day of June, 1851 and sent to R. W. YOUNG, present.

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

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# JOHN MCKENZIE

Carroll Co. Tennessee

From 1776 Captain 2 years \$480.

**EDWARD GWIN**, Clerk. Carroll Co. Tennessee

War Department Pension Office,

# Sir:

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules, and the subjoined notes, you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before the pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will shew what is necessary to be done. Those points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, ({ thus }). You will, when you return your papers to this department, send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

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A STATEMENT, shewing the service of <b>JOHN MCKENZIE</b> , Carroll Co. Tennessee									
Period   Length     Name & Rank   Age Present   Supporting Proof Render   Y M D   Rank   officer   Abode Enterd  of declaration									
1776	1	   Capt 	Maj <b>PARKER</b>	75 years    Halifax Co.	His certificate of  Captaincy 				
1777 to	2	Capt   	Col <b>T. SUMPTER</b>  Gen <b>DAVIDSON</b> 	Virginia   	Witness  E. GWIN  JAMES GREEN				
1782	1 6	Capt 	Gen <b>GREEN</b> 	Ì	JAMES FURGUS  B. GILBERT				
He states									
5 years  in all			1	1	 				

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

# J. L. EDWARDS,

Commissioner of Pensions.

[REGULATIONS UNDER THE ACT OF JUNE 7, 1832]

JOSEPH ROWEN

State of Mississippi DeSoto County

On this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of October 1846 personally appeared before me **DAVID J**. **WHITE** one of the acting Justices of the Peace in and for said county, Mrs. **MARTHA MCKENZIE** a resident of Carroll County, Tennessee, now on a visit at her daughter's in said DeSoto County, aged seventy one years the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January last, who doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed July 7<sup>th</sup> 1838, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1843, June 17<sup>th</sup> 1844 and the Joint Resolution 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 1845 granting half pay and pensions to certain widows.

That she is the widow of **JOHN M. MCKENZIE** who was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of four hundred and eighty dollars per annum and drew his pension in Jackson, the state of Tennessee, for services rendered during the Revolutionary War.

She further declares that she was married to the said **JOHN M. MCKENZIE** in a former declaration made by her in 1843 on the twentieth day of December, seventeen hundred and ninety two (1792) in Washington County, state of Georgia.

That her husband, the said **JOHN M. MCKENZIE**, died in Carroll Co., Tennessee on the fifth day of November, eighteen hundred and forty two (1842), that since his death she has not intermarried and still remains a widow of him, the said **JOHN M. MCKENZIE**, deceased.

That she was not married to him prior to him leaving the service, but that the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794; to wit at the time above states she further declares that she has no documentary or record proof in support of her claim except an old work sample which is now at her residence in Carroll County, which sample she had previous to her marriage and which contains the precise date of her marriage to the said **JOHN MCKENZIE**, worked with a needle in letters and figures thus:

**PATSEY BONNER** was born the 8 day of January 1775 and also married the 20 day of December 1792 to Mr. **JOHN M. MCKENZIE**, which she thinks is, as well as she recollects is the precise entry on said sample, though it may not be word for word as above given, but is the same in substance, not having the said sample with her.

That when she was married she had the said the said sample and made the said entry thereon, but a few weeks after she was married, she also started to enter the date of the birth of her brother **JAMES BONNER**, but did not finish it, and said sample has also the full alphabet worked on it, both in large and small letters, which alphabet she had worked on said sample before she was married.

She further states that after she was married her husband, the said **JOHN M**. **MCKENZIE**, kept a family record which did contain the date of her marriage & births of their children, which record was accidentally burnt upwards of twenty years ago.

She further states that her first child, **JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE**, was born the  $6^{th}$  day of November, 1793.

She further states that in the year 1843 she did make a declaration claiming a pension in right of her said husband, to which declaration she was qualified to in open court in Carroll County, Tennessee, and which was sent with several affidavits in support of her claim to the department by her son, **JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE**, who has since informed her that the claim was rejected.

She also attaches, hereto, the obituary notice of her husband's death.

#### MARTHA MCKENZIE {seal}

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written.

**DAVID J. WHITE**, JP {seal}

Justice of the Peace for DeSoto County

SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, SHINGLES LATH, MOULDING, TURN WORK

# CENTRAL LUMBER COMPANY DEALERS IN LONG LEAF YELLOW PINE LUMBER

JACKSON, TENN June 20/10

Commissioner of Pensions Washington DC

Dear Sir:

I am asking for information in regard to the military services of **JOHN MCKENZIE** of Revolutionary Army, for the purpose of joining D.A.R.

I have been told he drew a pension, his lifetime, and at his death, his wife, **MARTHA MCKENZIE** drew one until her death.

Can you give me information in regard to his birth, marriage or death, or for what services he drew a pension, and was he a Colonel in the Colonial Army in the war of 1776?

Thanking you in advance for any information you may be able to give, I am

Very Sincerely

Mrs. **JOHN FITE** Jackson, Tennessee #462 College Street

OFFICE OF

### B. F. LILLARD

Attorney at Law and SOLICITOR IN CHANCERY,

Murfreesboro, Tenn. Nov. 11, 1885

General **BLACK** Commissioner of Pensions Washington, DC

Dear Sir,

I want to ascertain the dates of the death of **JOHN MCKENZIE** and of his widow **MARTHA MCKENZIE**.

**JOHN MCKENZIE** was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and died about, or near, the year 1840 in Carroll County, Tennessee, and probably belonged to the Georgia Volunteer Troops. His widow, **MARTHA**, died sometime between 1850 and 1855 in Carroll County, Tennessee, and was on the pension roll.

If there names are not on the pension rolls of these dates for the Revolutionary Wary, they are on the rolls for the soldiers of the War of 1812, but I have been informed that he was in the Revolutionary War. I would be pleased to have a certified statement of the dates of their respective deaths, as they appear on the pension rolls, at as early day as possible.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

# B. F. LILLARD

Rev. Ser.

Memphis, Tenn. 1791 Peabody Ave.

April 9, 1919

Agent of Pension Bureau Washington, DC

Dear Sir:

I am tracing my lineage & have learned that one of my ancestors, Capt. **JOHN MCKENZIE**, received a pension from the U. S. Government for services rendered in the Revolutionary War.

I am informed by registrar that a copy of this pension must be filed before I can secure a membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Can you supply me with the necessary papers? If not, please advise me in regard to the matter.

Yours Truly,

Miss LOUSE SEATES

Jackson-Madison Chapter Jackson, Tenn.

March 15, 1922

Pension Bureau Dept. of Interior Washington, DC

My Dear Sir:

Will you please send me a copy of certificate showing Capt. **JOHN MCKENZIE** applied for pension 1833 and that his widow applied for Pension and her claim was allowed.

See widow file 1049, Carroll Co., Tennessee

Thanking you in advance.

Respectfully,

Miss **MARY E. TIMBERLAKE** 601 E. Main St. Jackson, Tennessee

#### WAR DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL WASHINGTON

In reply refer to: QM-293 A-C **MCKENZIE, JOHN** 

March 13, 1924

The Commissioner of Pensions Washington, DC

Dear Sir:

In order that a headstone may be provided for the grave of the decedent appearing below, the Quartermaster General requests that the correct military service and the spelling of the name be supplied from the records of the pension bureau:

# Captain JOHN MCKENZIE

Light Artillery in 1781 under Col. William Hill, SC Discharged 1782 Applied for Pension March 13, 1833. See Widow's file 1049 Died: November 5, 1842

Very truly yours,

**R. L. FOSTER**, Assistant

[DUPLICATE OF PREVIOUS PAGE]

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR PENSION OFFICE

Old war Division

Return this letter with your reply.

Washington, DC

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 1885

Sir,

Yours of the 11<sup>th</sup> inst is received requesting a certified statement of the death of **JOHN MCKENZIE** and his widow, **MARTHA**, both formerly living in Carroll County, Tenn. Who it is supposed, received pensions on account of his services in the war of the Revolution.

An examination of the records of this office show that applications for pension were received from a Revolutionary Soldier and his widow, while living in Carroll County, Tenn. who bore the above names, but the soldier does not state that he belonged to the Georgia Troops, although after the war he resided in that state.

If it is desired to use the certified statement of their death in litigation or in a case in a court, the request for the same should be made by the clerk of the court, but if is not to be used, you will please state your object in obtaining it, and if you are not a descendant of the soldier, proper authority from those that are descendants, specifying their relationship, should be filed.

There is an authenticated statement of the pensioner, **JOHN MCKENZIE**, but not of his widow, perhaps the certified statement could be obtained, on application to the third auditor, who is the custodian of the vouchers on which payments are made to pensioners.

Very Respectfully,

Commissioners

**B. F. LILLARD**, Esq. Attorney Murfreesboro, Tenn.

In reply to your request [blank] received [blank] for a statement of the military history of **JOHN MCKENZIE** a soldier in the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired information as contained in his (& his widow's) application for pension on file in this Bureau.

Widows File 1049

Dates	Term	Rank	Captain	Colonel	State
1776	  1 yea:	     Captain	    Issuing Commissary	    Maj. <b>PARKER</b> 	   VA
1777 or 177	8 2 yeaı	-		Col. THOMAS SUMTER	SC
			  contractor Salisbury	  Gen. <b>DAVIDSON</b>	   NC
		aid deCamp			
178	1  	  Captain 	  of Light Dragoons 	Col. WILLIAM HILL	SC NC
178	2		  Discharged		
1791 to 179	5		  guard Creek Indians		

BATTLES ENGAGED IN: Rocky Mount, Hanging Rock, Camden, Rugeley's Mills, Ironworks, Torrence's Tavern, Guilford, New Market, Beatties Ford, Orangeburg

RESIDENCE OF SOLDIER AT ENLISTMENT: Halifax, VA

DATE OF APPLICATION FOR PENSION: March 13, 1833

RESIDENCE AT DATE OF APPLICATION: Carroll Co., TN

AGE AT DATE OF APPLICATION: Born September 17, 1757 in Albemarle Co., VA

REMARKS: He married in Washington Co., GA, December 20, 1792, MARTHA (PATSEY) BONNER born January 8, 1775; he died November 5, 1842 in Carroll Co., TN, where she resided when she applied for pension October 3, 1843. Her claim was allowed. Two sons were alive in 1843; ALEXANDER A. 44 years of age, JEREMIAH H. who was born November 6, 1793. Soldier's brother was Capt. WILLIAM MCKENZIE.

Rev. and 1812 War Section.

March 21, 1924

**R. L. FOSTER**, Assistant, Office of the Q. M. General, Washington DC

Sir;

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War Pension claim, W1049, it appears that **JOHN MCKENZIE** was born September 17, 1757 in Albemarle County, Virginia.

While residing in Halifax County, Virginia in 1776 he was Captain and Issuing Commissary for one year under Major **PARKER** in the Virginia Troops until 1782.

He was allowed pension on his application executed March 14, 1833, while a resident of Carroll County, Tennessee and died there November 5, 1842.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

State of Tennessee Carroll County

Declaration of **JOHN MCKENZIE** in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832, on this day appeared in open Court Col. **JOHN MCKENZIE**, a resident of the County of Carroll & State of Tennessee who being first duly sworn according to law doth make the following Declaration.

This declarant states that in the year 1776 in the County of Halifax and State of Virginia declarant and between fifteen & twenty other young men the exact number not now recollected, agreed to volunteer and join the United States troops then employed in the service of the United States. Declarant states that by this company he was elected their Capt. and took up the line of march and went to Portsmouth at which place there was then stationed a number of regiments. This declarant and his young company was attached to the 5th Regiment then commanded by Major **PARKER**, the Colonel not recollected, and mustered in the Company of Capt. **TALBOTT**.

This declarant does not now fully recollect the whole of the officers in command there at that time, but recollects that the 6th Regiment was commanded by Col. BUCKNER and the whole Brigade commanded by Gen. LEWIS, as my company was not large enough in number to be kept as a separate company they were principally attached to the Company of Capt. **TALBOTT** and the General appointed this declarant Issuing Commissary to the Company and some time thereafter the Army, to which declarant was attached, was ordered to march from Portsmouth and did so they marched to Springfield from thence to the deep Spring from thence to Point Comfort & from thence to Williamsburg, at this latter place declarant became sick after serving a tour of twelve months from this point declarant returned home & in the year 1777, as well as declarant can now recollects, he went into the state of South Carolina, and after being there some short time living and superintending the Iron Works of HILL and HAYNE. He was in that year again elected Capt. of a volunteer company in which capacity he served two years more, there company was commanded by Col. THOMAS SUMTER, whom this declarant voted for that office, Col. SUMTER gave this declarant a commission wrote and signed by said Col. at this period Gen. LINCOLN, commanded the southern division, but during the Service of this declarant in the Command aforesaid Col. SUMTER was elected or promoted to the command and title of General SUMTER and with him and under his command declarant in company of five or six regiments marched to Rocky Mount when the British and Tories had a strong post or fortified Fort this place was attacked by the then command of General SUMTER but without effect as the American troops were repulsed. In this attack Col. **NEAL** and many other Brave men lost their lives. After this Repulse the Army crossed the Catawba for the purpose of recruiting. After three or four days rest the line of march was taken up for the purpose of forming a junction with General GATES and joining his Army. This was in the summer of 1780 but before we reached him he and his troops were defeated at Camden by the British forces under the Command of Lord CORNWALLIS. In two or three days we were met by the British under the command of Col. TALTON [TARLETON] an engagement took place which Resulted in the defeat of the American troops. The American Troops then recrossed the Catawba re-county retreating & recruited some forces and returned to the South in marching where to they had many Engagements and skirmishes one at the Hanging

Rock one at **RIDGELY**'s Mills [**RUGELEY**] at the latter place the American troops were successful and took many prisoners & in all which tour and service this declarant acted in the capacity of Capt. At these mills declarant fell in company and got acquainted with Col. WILLIAM WASHINGTON and other officers of the Continental Army. After this engagement declarant with his company was ordered by Gen. SUMTER to go and guard the Ironworks of HILL & HAYNE, at which place there was a large quantity of cannon shot and other articles necessary and intended for the American Army. While at this station declarant was attacked by a regiment of the British and Tories commanded by Col. GORDON and Capt. HOOK [HUCK] & who, after all the resistance that could be made, defeated declarant & his company and destroyed the works. Declarant marched immediately and joined Gen. DAVIDSON in Mecklenburg County in the State of North Carolina. Declarant acted under the command of Gen. DAVIDSON as contractor for Salisbury District and with an express agreement that declarant was to act as Capt. in any engagement which the forces under Gen. DAVIDSON might have with the enemy. In a short time after this appointment the forces under Gen. DAVIDSON's command met the British forces under Lord CORNWALLIS at Beatties Ford on the Catawba River at which place an engagement took place which resulted in the defeat of the American Army and the loss of our General who fell in the Engagement in this engagement declarant as Capt. of a company. After the fall of Gen. DAVIDSON the command devolved upon Gen. PICKENS who retreated with the Army to widow TORRENCE's, seven miles from the battleground. We were pursued by Col. TARLETON and overtaken when another engagement took place where we were again compelled to retreat and give way to superior discipline and force. Here we lost about one hundred of our men in killed, wounded, and prisoners. We then marched and joined the Army under Gen. NATHANIEL GREENE at Dan River this was some time in the beginning of the year 1781 declarant continued under the command of Gen. GREENE from that time until the Battle of Guilford. At this battle this declarant acted as one of the aides of Gen. GREENE in consequence of some indisposition of one the General's aides who was unable to act for him on that day this battle was fought in the month of March 1781 as well as declarant now recollects. From this battleground the Army under the command of Gen. GREENE retreated for some miles and again drew up in order to give battle to the British who it was expected were in pursuit of us. But we soon had information that the British Army were on their retreat from the Battle ground. The Army of Gen. GREENE not then being in a situation to pursue the British as we were then exhausted and out of Military Stores declarant at that time was known in the American Army by the name of the Big Virginia Captain. General GREENE then and, as soon as it was ascertained that the British were retreating, sent for declarant and gave him the command of five volunteer militia companies who volunteered their services with instruction to this declarant to keep the British forces under the command of the Lord **RAWDON** at Camden in check, or to annoy, their march until the whole American Army could be got in good order to overtake them or join the companies. Thus [illegible] declarant went with his companies thus [illegible] but when the declarant and his troops arrived at the state line his men refused to go any further here his pursuit ceased. At the time this declarant parted with Gen. GREENE, Gen. GREENE and his forces with the exception of those sent with declarant were on their line of march after Lord CORNWALLIS & his troops. When declarant ascertained that the militia under his command refused to cross their state line he relinguished the command and immediately went to see his old friend and acquaintance Gen.

SUMTER, who at that time was confined in Charlotte by a wound which he had received in the shoulder some short time before. Gen. SUMTER gave declarant, on his arrival, a Capt.'s commission in the state troops of Light Dragoons of South Carolina. Declarant immediately set out and in about ten days enlisted one hundred men for ten months and immediately joined the main Army under the command of Gen. SUMTER, then on the Congaree. Declarant attached his Company to the Regiment then Commanded by Col. WILLIAM HILL. The regiment to which this declarant was attached marched in company with the regiment's commanded by Col. LEA [LEE] & WASHINGTON against the British post at New market and had an engagement with them and defeated them. We also had an Engagement at Camden also at Orangeburg and other places and took large quantities of stores and munitions of War, which was deposited at Camden under the care of Capt. GODFREY ADAMS. In some short time after this declarant was ordered by Gen. **SUMTER** to take command of the Stores at Camden at which place. Declarant continued until the Stores were dispersed off, when declarant returned to camps again. At this time, on account of the number of men killed and many whose terms of service had expired, what was then called a consolidation took place amongst the officers of the Army. I had then in the Army, in which I was in service, a brother older than myself holding also the command of Capt. then known in Army by the name of Capt. WILLIAM MCKENZIE. Declarant saw that both himself and brother should not have commands as there were many valiant and brave man equally entitled compelled by this motive. Deponent allowed his older brother the Command. But declarant, at this time, being desirous to promote his country's cause and having been long in the habit of commanding companies and detachments of men, declarant thought he could, in that situation, render most benefit his cause in company with Capt. ROBERT TATE and some other officers set out with the Army of General SUMTER and again joined the Army under Gen. **GREENE** at Jacksonborough and joined a regiment commanded by Col. DeMALMEDY, in which service, declarant continued until the Army of Gen. GREENE was disbanded or discharged in the year 1782, as well as this declarant now recollects. Thus declarant states that from the beginning of the year 1776 until the disbanding of the Army of the South to which he was attached in the year 1782 the whole of this Period with the Exception of about one year and a half was by this declarant spent in the plains and tented fields with his brothers in Arms defending his Country's wrongs. Deponent states that for about the space of five years he spent in the Service of his Country he never was lower in command than as a Capt. and when he acted in higher it was only for temporary or urgent purposes. This declarant states that during the whole of his Services he acted for his Country as a volunteer in her Service.

Interrogatories put by the Court to the declarant:

1ST WHERE AND IN WHAT YEAR WERE YOU BORN? Answer I was born in the State of Virginia in Albemarle County in the year 1757 on the 17th day of September

2ND HAVE YOU ANY RECORD OF YOUR AGE AND IF SO WHERE IS IT? Answer I have had a book in which my age was written for the purpose of preserving the same but it was burnt by accident many years ago

3RD WHERE WERE YOU LIVING WHEN CALLED INTO SERVICE? WHERE HAVE YOU LIVED SINCE THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR? AND WHERE DO YOU NOW LIVE? Answer in 1776 when the cause of my Country required my Services I lived in Halifax County in the State of Virginia from which place I volunteered -after the Army was discharged I settled in the State of Georgia and continued to live there until 1816 or 1817 -- at which time I removed to Maury County Tennessee where I continued to live with my family until 1828 when I moved into the County of Carroll and State of Tennessee where I now live.

4TH HOW WERE YOU CALLED INTO SERVICE? WERE YOU DRAFTED? DID YOU VOLUNTEER OR WERE YOU A SUBSTITUTE? AND IF IN SUBSTITUTE, FOR WHOM? Answer I volunteered and at no period during the War did I wait either for a call or draft unattended and rendered by services then as now leaving my life could not be spent in a better cause.

5TH STATE THE NAMES OF SOME OF THE REGULAR OFFICERS WHO WERE WITH THE TROOPS WHEN YOU SERVED, SUCH CONTINENTAL AND MILITIA REGIMENTS AS YOU CAN RECOLLECT AND THE GENERAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF YOUR SERVICE. Answer I was acquainted with Generals MARION, PICKENS, Col. DEMALMEDY. I was well acquainted with General **GREENE** commander of the regular forces. I was also well acquainted with General **SUMTER**. I was also well acquainted with Col. WILLIAM WASHINGTON commander of the horse, and with all the foregoing officers I have at different times served during the Southern Campaign -- and as to the general circumstances of my service that is answered in my declaration, except for services rendered from 1790 up to 1795. For upwards of 3 years of this time I was employed in building the forts & defending the country against the incursions & warfare of the Creek Indians at the United States Fort Rock Landing, Two Sisters a Fort built by myself and men then under my command the Rock Landing Fort was then 1791 commanded by Col. GAITHER in the year 1792 I was with Col. GAITHER put in command of the Rock Landing Fort against the Creek Indians in the service and building the forts & other service I lost from the year 1791 until 1795 making the [torn]

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 we had agreed to meet at New Market in the State of South Carolina and at the time appointed I was the oldest officer belonging to the Regiment of Col. **HILL** to which I was then attached, on that account this declarant got no discharge -- nor did declarant then ...

7TH DID YOU EVER RECEIVE A COMMISSION AND IF SO WHAT HAS BECOME OF IT?

Answer I received two Commissions, one from General Sumter the command of Capt. of a volunteer Company in the year 1778 or 1779, this commission I lost. The other I received in the year 1781, and is herewith transmitted marked D, this is all the documentary evidence of Service which I now have of my Service in the Revolutionary War. But I herewith produce the deposition of four honorable and respectable men each of home are personally known to this court to wit: the deposition of Col. EDWARD GWIN taken before SAMUEL INGRAM Esquire the chairman of this Court on the 16th day of September 1831; the Deposition of JAMES GREER taken before W. W. FOREMAN Esquire of Carroll County on this 16th day of September 1832; the deposition of **JAMES FERGUS** taken in open Court September 13, 1832; the deposition of Capt. BENJAMIN GILBERT taken before EDMOND W. GEE one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for this County bearing date 12th of January 1832. The foregoing named gentlemen declarant met at different places during his tour in the Southern Army of the Revolution -- and as there standing and character is known to this Court and the Citizens generally it is hoped the Court will certify their opinion of them declarant 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 any State or territory.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court

#### JOHN MCKENZIE

We **ROBERT BAKER**, Clergyman residing in the county of Carroll and state of Tennessee and **EDMOND W. GEE & EDWARD GWIN** living in the county and state aforesaid do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with **JOHN MCKENZIE** who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration that we believe him to be of the age of seventy five years, that his is generally reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been an office of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to in open court the day & year here written.

ROBERT BAKER EDMOND W. GEE EDWARD GWIN

And the said court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter and after interrogatories prescribed by the war department that the above named applicant was a Revolutionary officer and served as he states and the court further certify that it appears to them and that they know that **ROBERT BAKER** who signed the proceeding certificate is a clergyman, resident of Carroll County and state of Tennessee, and that **EDMOND W**. **GEE** & **EDWARD GWIN**, who has also signed the same, is a resident of in the county of Carroll and the state aforesaid is a credible person and that their statement is entitled to credit. And the court do hereby further certify that the depositions of **EDWARD GWIN SENIOR, JAMES GREEN, JAMES FERGUS** and **BENJAMIN GILBERT** which is here produced in court as part of the declarant's proof is entitled to full faith and credit and that the persons who swore to and signed each of the said depositions were credible persons and that their and each of their statements

are entitled to credit. And the said court further certify that each of said witnesses were at the time of signing said depositions very old men in age somewhere between seventy and eighty years each. March Term 1833

#### EDMUND W. GEE

SAMUEL INGRAM, Chm of Carroll County Court HENRY WRIGHT, Justice of the Peace WILSON NESBITT, Justice of the Peace WILLIAM RETTMAN [ROTTMAN], Justice of the Peace

I **EDWARD GWIN**, Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for the county of Carroll in the state of Tennessee do hereby certify that the foregoing six pages & 4 depositions contain the original proceedings of the court in the matter of the application of Col. **JOHN MCKENZIE** of Carroll County for a pension under the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office at office this  $13^{th}$  day of March, 1833.

EDWARD GWIN, clerk

[back side of copy of hand stitched art by MARTHA MCKENZIE] JOHN MCKENZIE W. File 1049 VA, SC, NC, Continental [back side of copy of hand stitched art by MARTHA MCKENZIE] A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z PB her sampler, she 1775 VA, was born in the year of our Lord PJLs 26 B48829 DC2862 BONNER Her Sampler She was born the 8 Day of January in the year 1775 and [illegible] married the 20 day of December [illegible] Mr JOHN MCKENZIE JAMES [illegible] the PATSEY MCKENZIE 2 Day of [illegible] JOHN M. MCKENZIE

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Rev. and 1812 War Section.

May 22, 1924

# G. S. LANNOON

Humboldt, Tenn.

Sir;

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War Pension claim, W1049, it appears that **JOHN MCKENZIE** was born September 17, 1757 in Albemarle County, Virginia.

While residing in Halifax County, Virginia in 1776 he was Captain and issuing commissary for one year under Major **PARKER** in the Virginia Troops.

In 1777 or 1778 he was Captain in Colonel **THOMAS SUMTER**'s South Carolina Regiment, was also Contractor for Salisbury District under General **DAVIDSON**. He was Captain of Light Dragoons in Colonel **WILLIAM HILL**'s South Carolina Regiment and Captain in Colonel **MALMEDY**'s North Carolina Regiment, he was in the battles of Rocky Mount, Hanging Rock, Camden, Rugley's Mills, Ironworks, Torrence's Tavern, Guilford, New Market, Beattie's Ford and Orangeburg and was discharged in 1782.

From 1791 to 1795 he was on guard duty against the Creek Indians.

He was allowed pension on his application executed March 14, 1833, while a resident of Carroll County, Tennessee and died there November 5, 1842.

Soldier married December 20, 1792 in Washington County, Georgia, MARTHA (PATSEY) BONNER, who was born January 8, 1775 and she was allowed pension on her application executed October 3, 1843, while a resident of Carroll County, Tennessee.

Two sons were alive in 1843 – **JEREMIAH H**. born November 6, 1793 and **ALEXANDER A**. aged forty four years.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

# **JOHN MCKENZIE** file W1049

Linen sampler made by **PATSEY (MARTHA) BONNER** on which is worked the date of her birth, and her marriage to **JOHN MCKENZIE**, etc. has been removed from the case and locked up in the Record Division, Revolutionary War Section.

I. S. C

July 5, 1910

Rev. War Widow, & c.

File No. W1049 MARTHA MCKENZIE, widow JOHN MCKENZIE, Capt. Cav. Rev. War

Act. February 2, 1848

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Tennessee 10,046

#### MARTHA MCKENZIE

Widow of **JOHN M. MCKENZIE** who was a pensioner under the Act of [blank] and who died on the 5, November 1842 of Carroll Co. in the state of Tennessee who was Capt. Cavy. Of the regiment commanded by Col. Buckner.

Inscribed on the Roll of Jackson at the rate of 200 dollars per annum, to commence on the  $4^{\rm th}$  day of March, 1836.

Certificate of Pension issued the  $15^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$  day of December, 1846, and sent to W. E. JONES.

Present

Act July 7, 1838

Recorded by **D. BROWN**, Clerk Book D Vol. H Page 351

# MARTHA MCKENZIE

Widow of JOHN M. MCKENZIE, Captain Cavalry

\$200 per annum

Acts 1838 9145 1843 & 1844 1302

Married December 20, 1792 Husband died November 5, 1842

Tennessee Roll Jackson Agency

Cert: to W. E. JONES, Esq. Of Tennessee

present.

Increase

# JOHN MCKENZIE, deceased

Tennessee

Act  $7^{th}$  June 1832

Adm'd 2 years Capt. Cavl. 600 per annum from 4 March 31 to 5 November 1842 when he died, former payments to be deducted.

Payable to MARTHA MCKENZIE, his widow.

Sent to.

**R. W. YOUNG** Present.

Increase

Martha McKenzie, widow of John

Tennessee

Acts 7 July 1838 & c. c.

Adm'd 2 years Capt. Cavl. \$600 per annum 4 March 1843.

Former payments to be deducted.

Payable to her.

Cert to.

**R. W. YOUNG** Present.

8041

Tennessee, Jackson

MARTHA MCKENZIE, widow of JOHN MCKENZIE who was a Captain of Cavalry, VA, NC, SC & Continental in the Revolution.

Husband died 5 November 1842.

Inscribed on the roll at the rate of 480 dollars per annum, to commence on the  $4^{th}$  day of March, 1843.

Certificate of pension issued the  $11^{th}$  day of January, 1849 and sent to.

Hon. **D. GRAHAM** Treasury Department

[Acts of March 3, 1843, and June 17, 1844]

Recorded in Book A Vol. 2 Page 194

Increased from \$200 Deduct all former payment.

13,587

West Tennessee

**JOHN MCKENZIE** of Carroll Co. in the state of Tenn of the Regiment commanded by Col. **SUMPTER** in the VA, SC, NC, Continental line for 2 years.

Inscribed on the roll of West Tennessee at the rate of 480 dollars per annum to commence on the  $4^{th}$  day of March 1831.

Certificate of pension issued the 23 day of May 1833 and sent **EDWARD GWIN**, Huntingdon.

Arrears to the 4th of March\$960.00Semi-anl. Allowance ending 4th Sept.\$240.00

\$1,200.00

Recorded by **DANIEL BOYD**, Clerk Book E Vol. 7 Page 88

Jackson 2960

Tennessee

MARTHA MCKENZIE, widow of JOHN M. MCKENZIE who served in the Revolutionary war, as a Capt. of Cavy., VA, NC, SC & Continental.

Inscribed on the roll at the rate of 480 dollars per annum, to commence on the  $4^{th}$  day of March, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the  $11^{th}$  day of January, 1849 and sent to:

Hon. **D. GRAHAM** Treasury Dept.

Recorded on roll of pensioners under Act February 2, 1848.

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8041

Tennessee

MARTHA MCKENZIE, widow of JOHN M. MCKENZIE who was a Capt. of Cavy., in the Revolutionary war VA, NC, SC & Continental.

Inscribed on the roll at the rate of 600 dollars per annum, to commence on the  $4^{th}$  day of March, 1843.

Increased from \$480.

Certificate of Pension issued the  $23^{th}$  day of June, 1851 and sent to:

**R. W. YOUNG** Present.

[Acts of March 3, 1843, & June 17, 1844]

Recorded in Book A Vol. 2 Page 194

8041

Jackson Tennessee

MARTHA MCKENZIE, widow of JOHN M. MCKENZIE who was a Captain of Cavalry, in the Revolutionary VA, NC, SC & Continental.

Inscribed on the roll at the rate of 200 dollars per annum, to commence on the  $4^{th}$  day of March, 1843. Increased from \$480.

Certificate of Pension issued the  $15^{th}$  day of December, 1846 and sent to:

W. E. JONES, Esq. Present.

[Acts of March 3, 1843, & June 17, 1844]

Recorded in Book A Vol. 2 Page 194

10,046

Tennessee

MARTHA MCKENZIE widow of JOHN MCKENZIE who was a pensioner under the Act of and who died on the 5, November 1842 of Carroll Co. in the state of Tenn who was Capt. Cavy. in the Revolution for 2 years, VA, NC, SC & Continental.

Inscribed on the Roll of Jackson at the rate of 480 dollars per annum, to commence on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1836. 2 Qt. Reso. 23 January 1845 & 1 July 1846.

Certificate of Pension issued the  $11^{th}$  day of January, 1849, and sent to:

Hon. **D. GRAHAM** Treasury Dept.

Act July 7, 1838

Recorded by **THOMAS LUMPKIN**, Clerk Book D Vol. I Page 351

Increased from \$200 deduct all former payment.

The enclosed commission was found in mutilated condition when case was opened by me.

December 17, 1910

L. H.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

By his Excellency, **JOHN RUTLEDGE**, Esq., Governor and Commander in chief of the said state.

To JOHN MCKENZIE, Esq.

I, REPOSING special trust and confidence in your courage, good conduct, and in your fidelity and attachment to the United States of America, have commissioned and appointed, and by these presents do commission and appoint, you the said:

#### JOHN MCKENZIE

to be:

[illegible] Troop

which said Troop, you are to lead, train, muster and exercise according to military discipline And you are to follow and observe all such orders and instructions as you shall from time to time receive from me, or the governor and commander in chief for the time being, or any of your superior officers, according to the rules and discipline of war, pursuant to the laws of this state. And all inferior officers and privates belonging to the said

[illegible] Troop are hereby required and commanded to obey you as their

[illegible] Captain This commission to continue during pleasure.

Given under my hand and seal, this [illegible] Anno Domini [illegible] and in the [illegible] year of the Independence of America.

[illegible]
By his Excellency's command:

[illegible] Secretary
GOD save the United States of AMERICA

# MARTHA MCKENZIE,

widow of **JOHN** on the Tennessee roll under the act of 1838.

# R. W. YOUNG

Present

May 15, 1851

Hon. J. L. EDWARDS, Commissioner of Pensions

You will be pleased to allow my agent **R. W. YOUNG**, Washington DC to examine the papers on file in your office, upon which a pension was originally granted to **MARTHA MCKENZIE** widow of **JOHN MCKENZIE** & c. April 4<sup>th</sup> 1851.

Hon. J. L. EDWARDS, commissioner of pensions

MARTHA MCKENZIE

State of Tennessee Carroll County

Personally appeared before me **WILLIAM W. FOREMAN**, one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for the said county, **JAMES GREER** and being sworn as the law directs deposeth and saith that he was acquainted with Col. **JOHN MCKENZIE** and that said **MCKENZIE** did serve in the Revolutionary War, in the State of South Carolina in Orangeburg and Charleston.

# JAMES GREER

Sworn to and subscribed before made the September 13th, 1832.

W. W. FOREMAN, JP

State of Tennessee Carroll County

This day appeared in open Court **JAMES FERGUS** and made oath in due form of law and saith That during this same time in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine & seventeen hundred and eighty this affiant personally knew Col. **MCKENZIE** to have been engaged in the Revolutionary War in defense of his Country as an officer affiant is now about seventy six years of age and knew Col. **MCKENZIE** when in the service in South Carolina.

#### JAMES FERGUS

Sworn to and open Court September 13th, 1832

EDWARD GWIN, Clerk

Pension Office Jackson Tennessee 27 January 1847

Sir,

Yours of 11<sup>th</sup> instant is received informing me that the pension of MARTHA MCKENZIE, widow of JOHN MCKENZIE, had been increased under the Acts of 1838, 1843, & 1844 from \$200 to \$480 per annum and instructing me to pay her at the increased rate, under each of said Acts, deducting all former payments. JOHN MCKENZIE received his pension at this office up to 5 November 1842, the time of his death, at the rate of \$480 per annum. MARTHA MCKENZIE received her pension at this office, under the Act of 7 July 1838, from 4 March 1836, to 4 March 1841, at the rate of \$200 per annum – does she receive \$280 per annum in addition for those 5 years? JOHN MCKENZIE having received his pension up to 1842, and MARTHA MCKENZIE, his widow, a pension during the same time. Is there not an error in this?

Under the Acts of 1843, & 1844, she received a pension from 4 March 1843 to 4 March 1848 at \$200 per annum – under these Acts I suppose she receives an increased pension of \$280 per annum – **JOHN MCKENZIE** not having drawn any pension during that time.

On making my statement, shewing the amount of funds that would probably be required to pay pensions during the year ending September 15, 1849, these increased pensions were not taken into consideration since that time, the Act of 2 February 1848 has been passed, and several pensioners place on the roll under that Act, also some arising from the Mexican War, none of which were reported, so that a much larger sum will be required to pay the pensioners at this office on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March next, than was anticipated at that time.

Very respectfully, J. M. CAMPBELL Pension Agent

**J. L. EDWARDS**, Esq. Commissioner of Pensions Washington City

Washington April 18<sup>th</sup> 1851

Hon. **JAMES E. HEATH** Commissioner of Pensions

Sir

As the agent of **MARTHA MCKENZIE**, widow of **JOHN**, I respectfully ask that her claim to an increase of pension may be considered. It will be seen that **MCKENZIE** was a Captain of Cavalry and therefore his widow is entitled to a pension of \$600 per annum.

Very Respectfully, Your Obedient Servent,

R. W. YOUNG

Washington City May 30<sup>th</sup> 1849

## Col. J. L. EDWARDS

Dear Sir,

In the case of Mrs. MARTHA MCKENZIE, to whom you allowed and increase of pension of \$280 per year in January last. I have to request that you will again refer to her case as the pension agent J. M. CAMPBELL of Jackson, Tennessee refuses to pay the old lady as much as you allowed her upon the ground that a part of the amount extended back for the same pension that her husband had received, a pension and Mr. CAMPBELL says that he wrote you about the last of January upon that subject but which letter you had not answered, nor will he pay the old lady, Mrs. MCKENZIE any further until he receives an answer from you. Therefore as she is anxious to get the amount which Mr. CAMPBELL withholds, I request that you will refer to his letter of January and answer it so that Mrs. MCKENZIE can get her money.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

WILLIAM E. JONES

H. R. April 15, 1844

# J. L. EDWARDS, Esq.

Dear Sir,

Will you be so good as to answer the inquiries of the letter enclosed herewith as early as convenient and much obliged.

Yours most respectfully,

MILTON BROWN

M 9778 14 October 1843

Tennessee

# MARTHA MCKENZIE

Act 1838

**J. L. EDWARDS** Commissioner of Pensions Washington City

Sgt. **EDWARDS** will please act on this claim early as convenient and inform me the result by letter to Trenton, Gibson County, Tennessee and oblige.

Yours Respectfully

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1843 J. H. MCKENZIE

Washington City 12 January 1849

To the Commissioner of Pensions

The last portion of this letter refers to an application of **MARTHA MCKENZIE** which I filed on 11<sup>th</sup> November last, with a long explanatory letter from **WILLIAM E. JONES**, the writer & this.

Very respectfully,

DANIEL GRAHAM

Washington City June 28<sup>th</sup> 1849

## Col. J. L. EDWARDS,

Dear Sir,

Your Letter relative to the money due Mrs. **MARTHA MCKENZIE**, widow of the late Capt. **JOHN MCKENZIE**, deceased, which is withheld by **JOHN W**. **CAMPBELL**, pension agent at Jackson, Tenn, has been received in which you state that in March last year directed Mr. **CAMPBELL** to pay over to Mrs. **MCKENZIE** the whole amount of her pension due her as per certificate & c.

And in reply, again, I received a letter from a friend of Mrs. **MCKENZIE**, who informed me, that up to that time the agent at Jackson had not received any such instructions. Will you therefore address him again on the subject and direct him to pay the full amount due her as per her certificates, as I suppose your letter to him of March last must have miscarried.

Your immediate attention to this will do Mrs. MCKENZIE a particular favor.

I am very respectfully & c.

WILLIAM E. JONES

State of Georgia Washington County

Clerk, office Court of Ordinary

I HAYWOOD BROOKINS, clerk of the Court of Ordinary in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that I have examined the records of marriages had in this county for the record of the marriage of JOHN MCKENZIE to MARTHA BONNER who was married in the county in the year seventeen hundred and ninety two, which record I cannot find, as the record of this county was very imperfectly kept in that time. I find that a part of the records have been lost. I find on examination of said records that a part of one of the record (Book C) in which marriage licenses were recorded has been torn or lost, from that book, which book contains marriages of a very ancient date, and it is very possible that JOHN MCKENZIE's marriage, above referred to, was recorded on that portion of the book that was destroyed.

Given under my hand and seal of office in Sandersville this twenty fifth (25) day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six (1846).

HAYWOOD BROOKINS, Clk

Huntingdon, Tennessee

## J. L. EDWARDS, Esq.

Sir,

The last session of congress passed a law extending pensions to the widows of Revolutionary Soldiers, Col. **JOHN MCKENZIE** joined the Army of the Revolution in 1776 at Portsmouth Virginia and was discharged 1792. He got a certificate of pension and drew the pay of a Colonel until his death which was about 3 years ago. His widow who was still alive drew what was due him at his death but has never drawn any since she wants to know whether she comes under the provisions of expanding pensions to widows or whether she would be entitled to draw pay as a widow and what is necessary to bring her within the provisions of the law if she is entitled to a pension please instruct me what steps to take to enable her to receive her pay for she needs help and if there is any thing due her she ought to have it.

Sometime in the year 1791 or 1792 Col. **JOHN MCKENZIE** had two Negroes to run away from her when he lived in the state of Georgia and went to the Creek Indians and were lost to him entirely. Congress appropriated money to pay for the Negroes and he received one thousand dollars at Millidgeville in Georgia some 15 or 16 years ago and some 6 or 7 years after then money was appropriated to pay the interest on such claims and that was forwarded to Millidgeville. But **JOHN MCKENZIE** did not apply in time, but when he did apply he was told that the money was sent back to the seat of government. I presume you are not the proper person to derive that information from, but as I had to write to you, you will please inquire at the proper office and find out if there is any money & how to proceed to the the same for his widow.

Please answer this as soon as possible.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obliged servant,

J. A. N. MURRAY

Jackson, Tennessee 14<sup>th</sup> September 1848

#### Mrs. MARTHA MCKENZIE

Madam,

In reply to yours of 11<sup>th</sup> instant now before me, I have to say, that no instructions have been received here to pay the class of pensioners to whom you belong.

Under the act of 2 February 1848, extending pensions to widows & c. I presume you will have to make application to the Commissioner of Pensions at Washington City. What the form of that application must be, I am not able to say, not being furnished with any by the pension office.

You will have to make application to Commissioners of Pensions before your name can be placed on the roll at this place.

I remain yours respectfully,

J. M. CAMPBELL

By JOHN SIDDALL

Washington City 17 November 1848

To the Commissioner of Pensions

The accompanying voucher as sent by Mrs. **MARTHA MCKENZIE** of Tennessee to obtain the benefit of the act of last session, passed 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1848 [illegible]

You will also perceive from the letter of her agent Mr. **JONES** that she claims a re-examination of her case under the Acts of 1838, 1843 & 1844.

Send results to me if you please.

Very respectfully,

DAVID GRAHAM

Washington City May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1851 Comm. Of Pensions

Sir,

On the 15<sup>th</sup> April, as the agent of **MARTHA MCKENZIE**, widow of **JOHN**, (who was a Captain of Cavalry in the War of the Revolution), I filed a letter of authority from her, upon which I asked a re-examination of the claim, upon the ground that her husband's services, as a Captain of Cavalry for 2 years, would entitle his widow to the highest rate of pension, instead of the amount she now receives.

I know ask that a certificate may issue accordingly.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

R. W. YOUNG

State of Tennessee Carroll County

This day appeared before **SAMUEL INGRAM** one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for the County of Carroll Col. **EDWARD GWIN** Senior and made oath in due form of law and saith that he is well acquainted with Col. **JOHN MCKENZIE** a citizen of the County of Carroll and State aforesaid that he knows of his own knowledge that the said **JOHN MCKENZIE** served under General **GREENE** in the Southern Army of the United States in the Revolutionary War this affiant states that he knew the said **JOHN MCKENZIE** to have acted as one of the aides of General **GREENE** at the Battle of Guilford and also knows of his own knowledge that the said **JOHN MCKENZIE** was detailed as an officer by General **GREENE** to attend to command and fight the enemy of the Country at other posts.

E. GWIN, JP

Sworn to and subscribed this  $16^{th}$  day of September 1831.

SAMUEL INGRAM, JP

State of Tennessee Carroll County

I **EDWARD GWIN**, clerk of the court of pleas and quarter sessions & for County & State aforesaid do hereby certify that **SAMUEL INGRAM** Esquire, whose name is subscribed to the within affidavit is & was at the time of subscribing the same an acting Justice of the peace in & for the said county, duly commissioned and qualified as the law directs and that full faith and credit is due and ought to be given to all his official acts as such.

Given under my hand at office in Huntingdon this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September A.D. 1831.

EDWARD GWIN, Clerk

State of Mississippi DeSoto County

I **GEORGE FOOTE**, Clerk of the Probate Court of the county of DeSoto in the State of Mississippi do hereby certify that **DAVID J. WHITE**, whose name appears officially to the written declaration and certificate is and was at the time of signing the same and acting Justice of the peace in and for said county, duly elected, qualified and commissioned that the signature purporting to be his are genuine and that all of his acts in the premises are and ought to be entitled to full faith and credit.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said court at office in Hernando Mississippi the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1846 and the 71<sup>st</sup> year of American Independence.

**GEORGE FOOTE**, Clerk

State of Mississippi DeSoto County

I DAVID J. WHITE do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with Mrs. MARTHA MCKENZIE for Carroll County Tennessee, who is now on a visit to her daughter's in DeSoto County, State aforesaid, who has this day appeared before me, DAVID J. WHITE, one of the acting Justices for said county, and made oath to the within declaration, which she, a woman of truth and veracity, and that full faith and credit is due and of right ought to be given to all her statements.

I further certify that from old age and bodily infirmity that she is not able to attend at the court house of her county in order to make this declaration in open court without [illegible] injury and fatigue.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal this  $26^{th}$  day of October A.D. 1846.

**DAVID J. WHITE** {seal} Justice of the peace DeSoto County Mississippi

State of Tennessee Gibson County

On this 23rd October 1846 personally appeared before me, R. F. KING acting Justice of the Peace in and for the said County, JEREMIAH MCKENZIE a resident of said County aged fifty three years the 6th day of November 1846 and makes out in due form of law that he is the first child of PATSEY MCKENZIE and her late husband Captain JOHN MCKENZIE of Carroll County Tennessee, deceased, who was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$480 per annum. That agreeable to the entry upon the original family record which was kept by and in the handwriting of the said JOHN MCKENZIE showing the date of their marriage and the birth of their children that agreeable to the entry upon said record this affiant was born the 6th day of November in the year seventeen hundred and ninety three (1793). The affiant further states that his mother the said PATSEY MCKENZIE did in the year 1843 or 1844 make application for a pension and writing of her late husband JOHN MCKENZIE, deceased, which declaration and paper was forwarded to the department by this affiant.

And this affiant further states that he was familiar with and has often examined said family record from his earliest recollection until some upwards of twenty years ago when said record was accidentally destroyed by being burned. That previous to its being burned this affiant copied therefrom the date of his own birth, as above stated, and about that time married and moved to himself. This affiant does not know when his father ever made out another record or not but recollects distinctly seeing his mother **PATSEY MCKENZIE** have an old worked sample upon which she had the date of her marriage worked in with a needle which sample this affiant has frequently seen in his mother's possession from his earliest recollection and has often heard her say that she was at work on said sample at the time she was married to this affiant's father **JOHN MCKENZIE** and that the date of the marriage as given on said sample was in the year 1792.

The affiant further states that since the application of his mother, the said **PATSEY MCKENZIE**, for a pension she has not into married but still remains the widow of the said **JOHN MCKENZIE**, deceased, and is still a resident of Carroll County Tennessee, though she spends a part of her time with some of her children in DeSoto County, state of Mississippi, where she is at this time on a visit although she is old very, infirm, having to be haled to and from.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the date above written

#### JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE seal

**RUFUS F. KING** Justice of the Peace For Gibson County

State of Tennessee Gibson County

I **RUFUS F. KING** an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with **JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE** who has this day appeared and made out to the above affidavit before me that he is a man of truth and veracity and high respectability and standing and that full faith and credit is due and of right ought to be given to his statements.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 23rd day of October 1846.

**RUFUS F. KING** {seal} Justice of the Peace For Gibson County

State of Tennessee Gibson County

I ALLEN C. NIMMO Clerk of Gibson County Court do hereby certify that **RUFUS F. KING** whose name appears to the foregoing affidavit and certificate is and was at the date there an acting Justice of the Peace for said County duly commissioned and qualified and full faith and credit is due to all of his official acts.

Witness my hand and seal of said court at office in Trenton this 23rd day of October 1846 and 71st year of American independence.

A. C. NIMMO, Clerk

Jackson Tennessee October 24<sup>th</sup>, 1846

I am acquainted with **JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE** whose name is signed to the foregoing affidavit. He is a man of standing and character and entitled to full credit as such. I also with pleasure state that Capt. **JOHN MCKENZIE** in his life time was a man of standing and character and my information has always been that his surviving widow is of the first respectability and in all respects entitled to full credit.

MILTON BROWN, MC

Increase MARTHA MCKENZIE Widow of JOHN Tennessee

Act 7 July 1838 resolution of 23rd January 1845 and first of July 1848 captain \$480 from fourth of March 1846 2/4 March 1841 deducting what has been paid at the rate of \$200 per annum for same time

4304 T4 \$480 per annum From 4th March 1843. Deduct what had been paid Annum 2nd July 1848 \$480

DAVID GRAHAM Esquire

Treasury

State of Tennessee Carroll County

On this 30th day of October 1848. Personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Mrs. **MARTHA MCKENZIE** resident of said county age 73 years who in who makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed on the 2nd day of February 1848 continuing the pensions of certain widows and also the benefit of the provision of the second section of the act of Congress passed 26th June 1848 making appropriations for the payment of revolutionary and other pensions that she is the widow of Captain **JOHN MCKENZIE** deceased who was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$480 per annum for services rendered during the war of the revolution.

She further declares that she is the identical **MARTHA MCKENZIE** who drew a pension of \$200 per year under the act of the 7th of July 1838, of 3rd March 1843, and 17th June 1844.

She further declares that since the death of her husband the said JOHN MCKENZIE he has not intermarried but remains his widow that she makes this declaration in order to receive under the second section of the act of June 26th 1848, and the resolution of the 1st of July 1848, the difference between the \$200 a year which was allowed to her and the \$480 which was originally allowed to her husband per annum being \$280, from the 4th of March 1836 to 4th of March 1841, under the act of July 1838, and from 4th of March 1843 to 4th of March 1844, under the act of March 3rd 1843, and from the 4th of March 1844 to 4th of March 1848, under the act of the 17th of June 1844, and also to be allowed a pension of \$480 per annum under the act of the 2nd of February 1848, from the 4th of March 1848 during life, which amount was originally allowed to her husband the said JOHN MCKENZIE deceased.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the date of of written.

#### MARTHA MCKENZIE seal

L. J. MCNEILL Justice of the Peace

State of Tennessee Carroll County

I **LEONIDAS J. MCNEILL** a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County hereby certify that I am well acquainted with Mrs. **MARTHA MCKENZIE** who has this day appeared and made out to the above affidavit before me. That she is a woman of Truth and veracity that full faith and credit is due and of right ought to be given to her statements.

I further certify that she is the identical **MARTHA MCKENZIE** who drew a pension of \$200 per annum under the act of Congress of the 17th of June 1844 in right of her deceased husband Captain **JOHN MCKENZIE** and that she is still a widow.

Given under my hand and seal this 30th day of October 1848

L. J. MCNEILL, JP

State of Tennessee Carroll County

**YOUNG W. ALLEN** Clerk of the county court of said County do hereby certify that **LEONIDAS J. MCNEILL** Esquire whose name appears to the Declaration and foregoing certificate is and was an acting Justice of the Peace in hand for the said County at the time of signing the same duly commissioned and qualified and his signature genuine, as such full faith and credit is due and ought to be given to all of his official acts & c.

And testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said court at office in the town of hunting done this 31st day of October 8th 1848

Y. W. ALLEN, Clerk

State of Tennessee Carroll County

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1846 personally appeared before me, **NEEDHAM GREEN** one of the acting justices of the peace in and for said county, JAMES M. MCKENZIE a resident of said County aged twenty eight years and makes oath in due form of law that he is the youngest son of his father JOHN MCKENZIE and his mother PATSEY MCKENZIE who is now the widow of the said JOHN MCKENZIE, deceased, and who is now on a visit to her daughter in DeSoto County Mississippi and who did make application for a pension in rights of her husband sometime in the year 1843 or 1844. This affiant for the states that then old work sample which is you're too attached and which contains has this happened has always understood the date of the marriage of his father and mother and which sample this affiant had seen and been acquainted with since his earliest recollection. This affiant also attaches here too to hold power of attorney which his father JOHN MCKENZIE seems to have made in his lifetime in order to draw his pension which past of attorney he finds among the old papers of his father since his death being then administered administered administration of his estate.

## JAMES M. MCKENZIE {seal}

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written

NEEDHAM GREEN, JP

State of Tennessee Carroll County

I **NEEDHAM GREEN** an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with **JAMES M. MCKENZIE** who has this day appeared and made of to the above affidavit before me that he is a man of Truth and veracity and that full faith and credit is due and of right ought to be given to his statements.

In witness whereof I have here to set my hand and seal this 2nd day of November 1846.

NEEDHAM GREEN, JP

State of Tennessee Carroll County

**YOUNG W. ALLEN** Clerk of the county court of said County do hereby certify that **NEEDHAM GREEN** whose name appears to be within affidavit and certificate his hand was an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County at the time the same purports to bear date duly commissioned and qualified and that the signature purporting to be his are genuine.

And testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of office at office in the town of Huntingdon this 2nd day of November 8th 1846.

Y. W. ALLEN Clerk

Fleming's post office Weakley County Tennessee

July 14th 1844

Dear Sir sometime during the year 1843 I made then in my power the best proof of my being, the Widow of Colonel **JOHN MCKENZIE** deceased who had been for many years and was at the time of his death a pensioner he grew annually \$480 with the exception of the testimony of **JONATHAN M. GILBERT** who is named on the declaration his affidavit was left blank owing to his not getting to the town of hunting done till after the court had adjourned and it was thought by the man who had the management of the business that it would make no material difference, there for the papers were sent on from Huntingdon without his testimony not having heard anything from Washington on the fate of my claim as the widow of Colonel **JOHN MCKENZIE** under an act of Congress giving pensions to the widows of revolutionary soldiers and officers got **DR. WINN** to address a letter to the pension agent making inquiries about my letter and check the word letter and he also not receiving an answer hi again right you on the same subject making the same inquiry.

If the papers have been received examined hand disposed of please let me know the result if there is any defect please send the claim back with papers of instruction that I may have the defect remedied and sent back to you for if there is anything coming to me from the government I want it for I am poor therefore need it. I am yours very respectfully & c.

### MARTHA MCKENZIE

To the pension agent

Certificate of Comptroller for Capt. **JOHN MCKENZIE** Carroll County

Comptroller General's office Columbia South Carolina

November 26th 1846

Book m Indent 159 The account from which this indent was issued was lost.

Issued the first of October 1784 to Mr. **JOHN MCKENZIE** late Captain Supernumerary in **HILL**'s regiment, **SUMPTER**'s Brigade, State troops for 94 pounds sterling being amount paid and bounty to him for services and that troop together with interest thereon from 1st April 1782 to date hereof agreeable to the resolution of general assembly 11th March last period.

Principal pound £94.00.0 Interest £6.11.7

I certify the above to be a true copy from the records in this office

Comptroller General J. AUG BLACK

Mr. JONES will see that the copy above as reference to the service of JOHN MCKENZIE in SUMTER'S Brigade alone. His name nowhere appears on records for Duty under General LEWIS, Major PARKER, or Captain TALBOT in this office. In fact those officers do not appear from all I can collect from the records in this office to have gone to the South Carolina line of regulars or militia. I think it is likely that they were of the Georgia and North Carolina line.

Respectfully

**J. AUG BLACK** Deputy Trenton 23rd February 1844

#### Judge MILTON BROWN

Dear sir

I claim your assistance on the back of my mother, the widow of my father Colonel JOHN MCKENZIE, late of Carroll County deceased. The family of which you are acquainted with, he was an old revolutionary officer and at his death was drawing a pension of \$40 per month and in September or October last brother JOHN W. CROCKETT through a declaration for my mother and the best proof she was unable to make as to the legality of the marriage of my father and mother which took place in the year 1792 in the state of Georgia near where Sparta is in Hancock County, but that County was not known at the date of her marriage. The county has been so subdivided since her marriage we cannot procure the license, if there wherever returned by the Justice of the Peace, whose name my mother States was HUNTER, we have made out the best evidence the nature of the case admits of and which CROCKET stated he thought would satisfy Sergeant EDWARDS on the subject, the records of the marriage by my father and the ages of the children is the best we can produce on the subject. I mailed the Declaration ? at Huntingdon, immediately, requested Sergeant EDWARDS on the envelopment to write me the issue but we have received no answer. As you are acquainted with the family and was with my father also, I would be thankful you would personally talk to Sergeant EDWARDS and write to me immediately. My old mother is needy and as much entitled to her pension under the act granting petitions and half pay to certain widows as you to any property you hold, I have no doubt. The Act was passed the 7th day of June 1832 and was approved July 7th 1838 it has been so long since the marriage all the old people nearly is dead. AUNT GILBERT, the mother of Sergeant JOHN M. **GILBERT** and **ROBERT GILBERT** near my father's old place in Carroll is the only people living that has any knowledge about it and her evidence was taken and forwarded please inquire into it of the pension agent and write to me it may be her declaration was miscarried by some means, and greatly obliged a needy widow as well as your humble servant.

## J. H. MCKENZIE

#### Judge MILTON BROWN

**J. W. CROCKET** was very sanguine of success as to the petition, but no information has been received.

If it has failed, I would like to know what is lacking & we will try again.

J. H. M

**J. L. EDWARDS**, Esq. Pension Department Washington City

Col. E. B. CLEMSON

Carroll County Tennessee December 12th 1834

The bearer Colonel **CLEMSON** in the transactions of some business for me with the governor of Virginia may have occasion for copies of some of the papers on file in your office for the establishment of my pension. I have to request that your you will furnish him with such copies of said papers as he may require comma or The originals of such as you may not have occasion for or do not wish to remain on file your office.

I am respectfully your obedient servant JOHN MCKENZIE

**J. L. EDWARDS** Esquire Pension Department

PS. Such of my commissions as you may not wish to keep on file in your office and other papers I will thank you to hand to Colonel **CLEMSON**.

JOHN MCKENZIE

State of Tennessee Carroll County

Be it known that before me **NATHAN WILLIAMS** a Justice of the Peace in and for the county of for said personally appeared **JOHN MCKENZIE** and made of in due form of law that he is the identical **JOHN MCKENZIE** named in an original certificate in his possession of which I certify the following is a true copy.

War department Revolutionary Claim

I certify that in Conformity with the law of the United States of 7th June 1832 **JOHN MCKENZIE** of the state of west Tennessee who was a captain in the army of the revolution is entitled to receive \$480.00 per annum during his natural life commencing on the 4th of March 1831 and payable to him annually on the 4th of March and 4th of September in every year.

Given at the war Office of the United States this 23rd day of May 1833.

**LEWIS CASS** Secretary of War

Examined and countersigned **J. L. EDWARDS** Commissioner of Pensions

That he now resides in Carroll County and resided there in about nine years previously in the county of Murray in Middle Tennessee

### JOHN MCKENZIE

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of September 1833

### NATHAN WILLIAMS

Justice of the Peace

Know all men by these presents that I **JOHN MCKENZIE** of Carroll County state of Tennessee pensioner of the United States do hereby constitute and appoint of the county of [illegible] and state of Tennessee my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to receive from the agent of the United States for paying pensions in the town of Jackson State of Tennessee my pension from the 4th of March 1839 to 4th of September 1839.

## JOHN MCKENZIE

Witness my hand and seal this 4th day of September 1839

HENRY F. MURRAY J. A. N. MURRAY

State of Tennessee Carroll County

Be it known that on the 25th day of September 1839 before the subscribing Injustice of the peace in and for the county for said personally appeared **JOHN MCKENZIE** above named and acknowledged the foregoing power of attorney to be his act and deed.

In testimony whereof  ${\tt I}$  have hereunto set my hand this day and your last above Named.

**NATHAN WILLIAMS** Justice of the Peace

State of Tennessee Carroll County

I **GEORGE HEM** Clerk of the Court of Carroll County certify that **NATHAN WILLIAMS** is a magistrate has above hand that the foregoing certificate purporting to be his is genuine.

In testimony whereof I have urine too affixed my seal of office and subscribed my name this 25th day of September 1839

**GEORGE HEM** Clerk of Carroll County Court

By **J. R. SMITH** Deputy Clerk

Weakley County Tennessee Near Winston

April 17th 1844

Honored sir

Sometime in the Autumn of 1843 Mrs. **MCKENZIE** widow of Colonel **JOHN MCKENZIE** deceased who had been for a considerable time a pensioner made the necessary proof to entitle her to a provision for certain day during life under an act of Congress all of which was sealed and directed to your office. It was mailed at Huntingdon, Carroll County Tennessee. She has not heard a word from the time it was mailed. She desires to know if her claim and proof was received at your office and if it was what disposition was made of it. She feels great anxiety about it as she is very old and needy. The Colonel, her husband, during his life through a pension of \$480 per annum acted as aid decamp to General **GREENE** at the Battle of Guilford in the Revolutionary War, was a good officer and a brave soldier during that memorable contest.

Proof of receipt of this please give the information as above and direct to my address at this place or to the old lady at Fleming's post office in this County. Her Christian name is **PATSEY** (**MARTHA**).

I am sure yours very respectfully & c.

SAMUEL WINN, MD

Honorable Pension Agent

Recorded October 14, 1844

State of Tennessee Gibson County

On this 16th day of November eighteen hundred and forty six personally appeared before me, RUFUS F. KING, one of the acting justices of the peace in and for said County Dr. SAMUEL WINN resident of Weakley County Tennessee, aged 51 years and makes oath, in due form of law, that he was well acquainted with Captain JOHN MCKENZIE and his wife PATSEY MCKENZIE of Carroll County Tennessee. That his first acquaintance with them was in the state of Georgia about thirty three or four years ago. That had that period, the said **JOHN** and **PATSEY MCKENZIE** was living together as man and wife having several children, the oldest of which was JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE. That this affiant being well and intentionally acquainted with said family, living a part of the time in the same house with them, recollect that himself and the said **JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE** has frequently conversed together about ages their ages and always understood from the said JEREMIAH and his father and mother he said JOHN and PATSEY MCKENZIE that the said JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE was some two years older then this happened and further recollect seeing and frequently examined whilst conversing about our ages the old family record of the said JOHN MCKENZIE and that the date of their first child the said JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE was in the year 1793 and also recollect that the date of the marriage of the said JOHN and **PATSEY MCKENZIE** was entered on the record which was in the Years 1792. This happened further States that somewhere about the year 1818 whilst he was at the house of the said JOHN MCKENZIE, he having removed from the state of Georgia to Maury County Tennessee, during the night, whilst I was there, a box or trunk by accident took fire which created considerable alarm. This affiant understood at the time that their family bible which contains said record with a number of other books and papers were burnt and have frequently heard them speak of it since. This affiant further states that sometime after this occurrence the said **JOHN MCKENZIE** removed from Maury County to Carroll County Tennessee where he remained until he died which was sometime in the year 1842. That previous to his death he was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$40 per month and he believes that since his death his widow said MARTHA has not enter married but still remains his widow in right of her said husband that he knows of no family he has been as intimate with for the last thirty years as he has been with the set JOHN MCKENZIE's who has raised a large family of reputable children and he has no doubt upon a comparison of the age of the oldest child, the said JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE, with his own that the said **JEREMIAH** must be fifty three years old.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day and date above written

**SAMUEL WINN** {seal}

R. F. KING {seal}
JP for Gibson County

State of Tennessee Gibson County

**RUFUS F. KING** and acting Justice of the Peace in and for the county aforesaid do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with Dr. **SAMUEL WINN** who has this day appeared and made out to the above affidavit before me. That he is a man of intelligence and standing truth and honesty and that full faith and credit is due and of right not to be given to his statements.

And testimony whereas I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 16th day of November 1846

R. F. KING

JP for Gibson County

State of Tennessee Gibson County

ALLEN C. NIMMO Clerk of Gibson County Court hereby certify that are F. KING as a magistrate has above and that the foregoing signature purporting to be his are genuine.

And testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 17th day of November 1846

**C. NIMMO**, clerk

State of Tennessee Carroll County

12th of January 1832

Personally came Capt. BENJAMIN GILBERT of Weakley County and State aforesaid & being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth and saith that he, this deponent, was at a general muster in Campbell County in the State of Virginia some time in the old Revolutionary War and then and there saw Col. JOHN MCKENZIE, whom I had no acquaintance with nor had ever seen him before. I understood he was a recruiting officer from the South and on the recruiting service and appeared very [illegible] on that subject and was dressed in a military uniform and wore a sword, I recollect, and bore the title of Capt. There he met with some gentlemen of his acquaintance that was from Portsmouth, or some place in that guarter where our Army lay, and they appeared to meet with great satisfaction and had formerly been in the Army together and report said that **MCKENZIE** been in the service of his country most all the Revolutionary War. I heard my brother Capt. MICHAEL GILBERT say after the Battle at Guilford that he saw Capt. MCKENZIE in that Battle And that he had got badly [illegible] there in the battle and lost his Negro boy and portmanteau and all his clothes & horse worth thousand dollars, he said. Then I recollect when the war was over this deponent removed to the state of Georgia and resided in the same County where Col. MCKENZIE lived, who was a member to the General Assembly and acted in the Commission of the peace and as Col. of a regiment of militia, and then a judge of a County Court, and a man of worth and of good property, and of late, it is said, by his being security he has got nearly broke but, the great length of time and not ever expecting to be called on in a case where I am in no wise interested has obliterated from my recollection a number of circumstances that might be more pertinent to the case. And this Deponent further saith not.

Sworn to before me the day and date above.

BENJAMIN GILBERT EDMUND W. GEE, JP

State of Tennessee Carroll County

I **EDWARD GWIN** Clerk of Court of please and quarter sections in and for the said County and state of four said to hereby certify that **EDMOND W. GEE** whose name is subscribed to the above affidavit is and was at the time of subscribing the same and acting Justice of the Peace in aforesaid County duly commissioned and qualified as the law demands and that full faith and credit is due and ought to be given to all his official acts as such.

Given under my hand at office in Huntingdon this 14th day of January 8th 1832

EDWARD GWIN, Clerk

9778 **MARTHA** M **MCKENZIE** Tennessee

Act July 7th 1838

State of Tennessee Carroll County

On the 3rd day of October 1843 personally appeared before the worshipful County Court of said County **JEREMIAH H. MCKENZIE** a citizen of Gibson County NC State aged 49 years and **ALEXANDER A. MCKENZIE** a citizen of said County of Gibson age 44 years who being first duly sworn in open court according to law depose and state that they are the sons of **JOHN MCKENZIE** and **MARTHA** his wife who has this day appeared before said Court and made the foregoing declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the pensions of the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled and act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows.

They further state that they have a distinct recollection of the family record to which she refers and her said declaration and that it was in the handwriting of their father to said **JOHN MCKENZIE** and contained the record of his marriage with the said **MARTHA** on the 20th day of December 1792 and the said **ALEXANDER** a **MCKENZIE** further states that he was present when said family record was destroyed by fire in the county of Maury in the said State twenty years ago or more.

And the said Court to certify that said **JEREMIAH** H and **ALEXANDER MCKENZIE** are men of reputable standing and credible Witnesses.

J. H. MCKENZIE A. A. MCKENZIE

Sworn to and subscribed in open court on the day and year above written

C. S. WOODS, JP, CP G. W. HOLLADAY, JP JOHN L. SCOTT, JP

presiding justices of Carroll County Court

State of Tennessee Carroll County

This 3rd day of October 1843 personally appeared before the worshipful County Court of Carroll County in open court **ROBERT GILBERT** a citizen of the county of Weakly and said State aged 48 years and **J. M. GILBERT** a citizen of said County of weekly aged 43 years both of whom are men of high standing and credible Witnesses who being first duly sworn according to law depose and say that they have been acquainted with **JOHN MCKENZIE** late of Carroll County Tennessee and **MARTHA MCKENZIE** his widow who has this day appeared before said court and made the foregoing declaration in order to obtain the benefit of a provision made by the act of Congress of July 7th 1838 and titled and act granting half pay and pensions to a certain widows. That said **JOHN MCKENZIE** was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$480 per annum for about 10 years before his death which occurred on the 5th day of November 1842.

They further state that they have been acquainted from character with the said JOHN MCKENZIE and his head Widow from their earliest recollection and personally some 12 to 15 years that they have during their whole acquaintance with them ben reputed to be man and wife and have reared a highly respectable family of children among whom are JEREMIAH H. and ALEXANDER MCKENZIE who have sworn to and subscribed the foregoing deposition that the said MARTHA MCKENZIE has always been and now sustains among her acquaintances the most unblemished character and they would believe her statement on oath as soon as that of any other person within the circle of their acquaintances.

They further state that the said **MARTHA MCKENZIE** is still a widow and has not been married since the death of her husband the said **JOHN M. MCKENZIE**.

## R. R. GILBERT

The foregoing the deposition of **ROBERT GILBERT** and J M **GILBERT** was sworn to and subscribed in open court on the day and year above written.

C. S. WOODS, JP, CP G. W. HOLLADAY, JP JOHN L. SCOTT, JP

presiding justices of Carroll County Court

State of Tennessee Carroll County

On this 3rd day of October 1843 personally appeared before me the worshipful chord County Court of said County in open court **EMILLY GILBERT** a resident of the county of weakly and said State age 78 years of being first duly sworn according to law deposit and say that she is the sister of **JOHN MCKENZIE** late of the county of Carroll deceased and that he had been for some years previous to his death which took place on the 5th day of November 1842 a pensioner of the United States at a rate of \$480 per annum. That **MARTHA MCKENZIE** who has this day appeared before said court and made the foregoing declaration in order to obtain the benefit love the provision made by the act of Congress July 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows has been reputed to be his wife about since the 20th day of December 1792.

She further states that she was at the house of the said **JOHN MCKENZIE** in her brother at the time of his reputed marriage with the said **MARTHA** and at his request superintended the arrangements for about for the affair which took place on the 21st day of December 1792 and this circumstance presents prevents her from being at the wedding there who were several persons at the affair proposed to have been at the wedding and she has never heard the fact or validity of their marriage denied from that day to this.

And she further States that notwithstanding she but she states that her brother the said **JOHN MCKENZIE** brought the said **MARTHA** home with him on the day of their reputed marriage and introduced her as his bride there were several persons at the affair who proposed professed to have been at the wedding and she has never heard the fact or validity of their marriage denied from that day to this.

And she further states that notwithstanding she does not witness the marriage of the said **JOHN MCKENZIE** with the said **MARTHA** from all the circumstances she has fully believes they were lawfully married at the time of War said as if she had seen it.

She further States but they have always live together as man and wife from the date of the reputed marriage until his death and that they reared a large and reputable family of children.

### EMILLY GILBERT

Sworn to and subscribed in open court today and you're above written

C. S. WOODS, JP, CP G. W. HOLLADAY, JP JOHN L. SCOTT, JP

presiding justices of Carroll County Court

State of Tennessee Carroll County

I YOUNG W. ALLEN Clerk of the county court of said County to certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court upon the application of Mrs. MARTHA MCKENZIE for a pension under the provision of the act of Congress of July 7th 1838 that CITIZEN S. WOODS, GEORGE W. HOLIDAY, and JOHN L. SCOTT whose official signatures appear to the foregoing declaration and depositions are presiding justices of the said Court and that the foregoing signatures purporting to be theirs are genuine.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said court at office in Huntingdon this third day of October A.D. 1843.

**Y. W. ALLEN**, clerk of the County Court of said County

Humboldt, Tennessee April 16, 1924 Bureau of Pensions Washington, DC

Please send me a copy of **JOHN MCKENZIE** of Virginia Revolutionary War records.

See File 1049.

Yours Truly,

G. S. LANNOON

MCKENZIE, Tennessee July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1888

Hon. Com. Of Pensions Washington, DC

Dear Sir:

Will you please examine your pension records of Revolutionary Soldiers and give me date as near as possible when the pension of **MARTHA MCKENZIE**, widow of **JOHN MCKENZIE** of Tenn. ceased.

Mrs. **MARTHA MCKENZIE** died about October or November of 1850. The exact date of her death is a very important matter to me.

Kindly furnish me the information as soon as possible, I am greatly in need of it.

Very Respectfully,

Mrs. **WILLIE MCKENZIE** Carroll Co. Tennessee

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