

NATIONAL ARCHIVES ORDER FOR COPIES OF FEDERAL PENSION OR BOUNTY LAND WARRANT APPLICATIONS

1. Veteran: John, Laughter		2. Branch of Service in which he served: Army	
3. Start Year Of Service:		4. End Year Of Service:	
5. State: North Carolina		6. War: War of 1812 (1812-1815)	
7. Unit in which he served: McDonald Captain of		8. If service was army, arm in which served: Captain of	
		9. Rank: Officer	10. Kind of service: Not Sure
11. Pension File no:		12. If veteran lived in a home for soldiers:	
13. Date of birth:	14. Place of birth:	15. Name of widow or other claimant: Ann Laughter	16. Place(s) veteran lived after service:
17. Date of death:	18. Place of death:		
Comments: W.O. 60721 W.C. 3500			

☐ No. We are unable to locate the file you requested above. No Payment is required.	DATE SEARCHED 7/3/07	SEARCHER JR	FILE DESIGNATION Laughter John WC3500 Blunt 33682-80-85
☐ See the attached form, leaflet, or information sheet			
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☐ A search was made but there are several soldiers with the same or very similar names serving in the same unit. We are unable to determine which of them is your subject using the information that you provided. The military service records do not normally contain personal information about a soldier or his family. In such cases, we suggest that you visit the National Archives and examine the various files or hire a professional researcher to examine the files for you.			
☐ We did not locate a file which matches exactly the information that you provided, however, we did locate a pension application file _____ for a soldier named _____ who served in _____ for the _____ war. He was born _____ at _____ and died _____ at _____. His widow was _____. If this is your subject, please fill out the enclosed NATF form and resubmit.			
☐ The file that you requested (C or XC _____) is not among the records in the National Archives. You must request the file from the Department of Veterans' Affairs. Attached is a list of the VA offices including the one in your region.			

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Jeffrey Davis
8276 125th Circle
Largo, FL, 33773
USA

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WAR OF 1812

NUMBERS

W.O. 60721

W.O. 3500

SOLDIER

Laughter, John L.

WIDOW

Laughter, Annal

SERVICE

Capt. of 1st. Regt. N.C. Mil.

ENLISTED

DISCHARGED

BOUNTY LAND

11964-80-50

33682-80-55

RESIDENCE OF SOLDIER

RESIDENCE OF WIDOW

MAIDEN NAME OF WIDOW

MARRIAGE OF SOLDIER AND WIDOW

DEATH OF SOLDIER

DEATH OF WIDOW

REMARKS

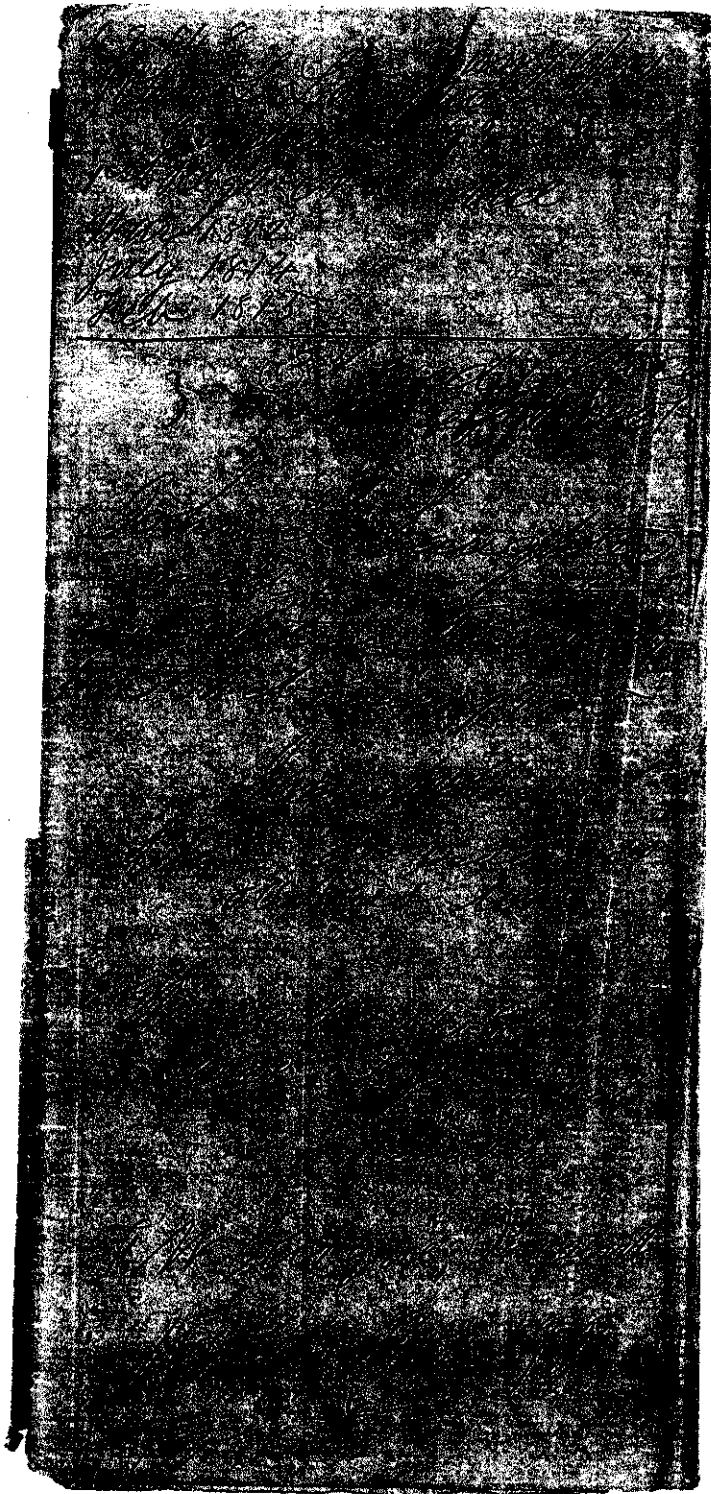
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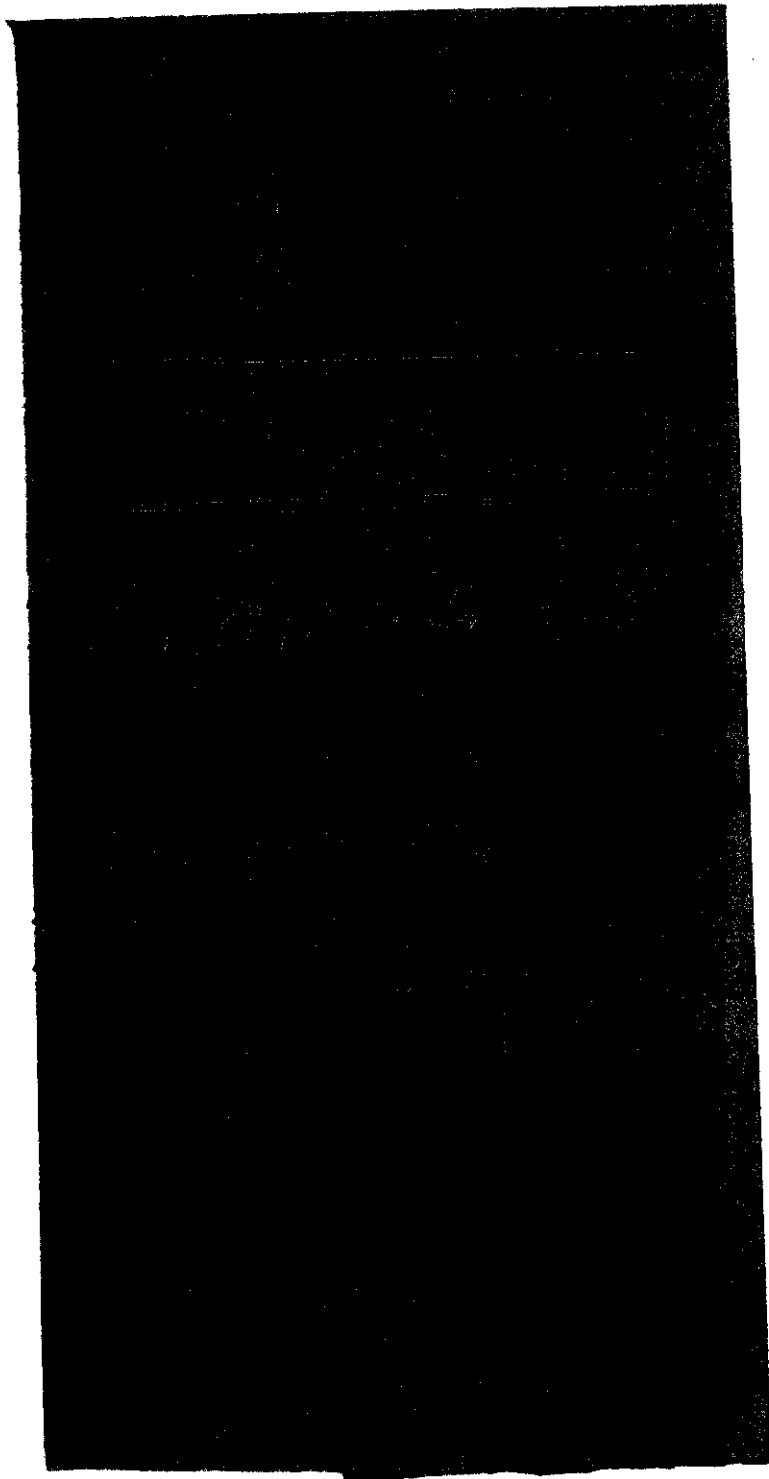
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COMPLETE FILE ENCLOSED

BEST AVAILABLE COPY.



June 17/58. Warrant filed, letter to Wm H Cheek Warrenton N.C.
for procuring act of death. (suspicious) Mr
July 3/58 Let to same. It cannot be supposed in the name
of McDorr; Warrant due subsequent to issue
Sept 30/58 Let to Wm H Cheek Warrenton N.C. informing him
from of the reference of his letter dated 12th July
together with the warrant to the Genl Land Office
Sept 30/58 To Mr. Laughter. Re. Hander it. Better - J.A.
Remin & name of person for historical purpose



Warrinton M C June 5th
Dear Sir

Enclosed I return
you a Warrant issued
to Capt John L. Laughter
accord. for the purpose
of having a duplicate, or
a warrant of equal
number of acres issued to
his wife. The transfer
on the returned Warrant
being informal it is in
present condition of no
value. If consistent
with the Pension laws
you will please act
according to the certificate
forwarded and return
me another Warrant.

Yours most respectfully
Wm H. Sheep

Pension Office
Sir. Oct 7. 1871.

Please re-examine
report of Service. Did
John L. Laughter serve
very respectfully,

Alonzo Wick
Clerk, Asst Chief Clerk.

Hamilton June 29th 1838

Dear Sir

Your favor of 17th inst
has been recd. and according to
its suggestions I now return
properly authenticated the certificate
of the death of John L. Laughter.
Hoping this will prove all
sufficient I remain

Yours most respectfully
W. H. Cheek

Warrenton W.C. July 18th 1855

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the declaration of
Captain J. L. Laughter for Bounty Land under Act of 1855

Respectfully

Nathaniel McLean

Commissioner of Pension
Washington City
D.C.

Filed Oct. 28. 1876.

No. 3,500

WAR OF 1812.

WIDOWS' PENSION.

North Carolina
Ann Laughter

widow of
John L. Laughter
Rank Captain

Company

Regiment
N. C. Mil

Raleigh Agency.
Rate per month—Eight dollars.
Commencing February 14, 1871.

Certificate dated August 6th 1872
and sent to Pension Agent.

Act 14th February, 1871.

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J. M. Kavanaugh Clerk.

33682-80-83-

ISSUED IN LIEU OF PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS FROM THIS OFFICE, DATED JULY, 1871.

WAR OF 1812.

Department of the Interior,
PENSION OFFICE,

Washington, D. C., May 31st, 1872.

For:
In the claim for pension of *Anna Laughter* widow of
a *Soldier* of the War of 1812, under the Act of February 14, 1871,
No. 6072 of *A Cogerton* and
J. H. Bennett testify to the claimant's loyalty.

You are required to show by the certificate of an officer of a United States Court, a United States Commissioner, an Assessor, Assistant Assessor, Collector, Deputy Collector or Supervisor of Internal Revenue, or a Postmaster, to the satisfaction of this Office that, after careful investigation, he is convinced the above witnesses are men of undoubted good character for truth and veracity, and that their statements in the affidavit referred to are worthy of full faith and credit.

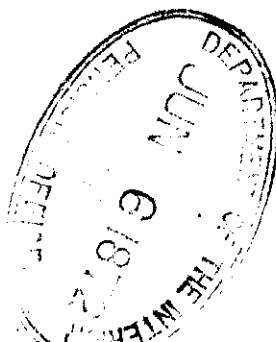
Very respectfully,

J. A. Baker

Commissioner.

R. Walker

Bennett



To be certified to by an officer of the United States Court, a United States Commissioner, an Assessor, Assistant Assessor, Collector, Deputy Collector or Supervisor of Internal Revenue, or a Postmaster.

Official Certificate in regard to Witnesses.

In the Matter of the Application of *Miss Anna Laughter*
of *Warren* County, State of *North Carolina* to be
enrolled as a **PENSIONER UNDER THE ACT OF FEBRUARY 14, 1871**, in which case *J. A.*
Egerton and J. H. Bennett are witnesses to
testify to the loyalty of said claimant, I hereby certify that, after a careful investigation, I am convinced that they
are men of undoubted good character for truth and veracity, and that their statements in the affidavit referred to
are worthy of full faith and credit.

J. J. Young
Coll H - Dish No.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
No. 41872
JUN 6 1872
RECEIVED
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
FOR PENSION

Under the Act of Feb. 14, 1871.

E. L.

R. W. Walker
Washington, D. C.
June 4 1872.

Sold by W. H. Moore, 511 11th st., Washington, D. C.

Department of the Interior.
PENSION OFFICE.

Washington, D.C. May 31st 1872.

Sir:

In Pension claim of Ann Laughter, widow of John L. Laughter
under Act of July 14th 1871. N^o 6072, the following evidence under
oath or affirmation, by two witnesses acquainted with the fact is
required: Proof of death of Soldier.

Please return this letter with the evidence.

Very respectfully
Geo. Seaton
Acting Commissioner

R. W. Walker
Present.

Mar. & char.

My

All Official Letters to this Office must be addressed to the "Third Auditor of the Treasury," and in replying to Letters from this Office the initials on the upper left hand corner should be referred to.

Treasury Department,

THIRD AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

Oct 17, 1871.

No 329474.

Sir, "John L. Laughter" served as Capt
of a Company of North Carolina
Militia, from the 24th of September,
1864, until the 5th of February, 1865.

Respectfully
Allan T. Sherford
Auditor

Hon Wm. H. Baker,
Com^r of Pensions.

Yours
Sincerely

North Carolina
Granville County

That it is remembered
that on the 8. day
of August AD 1809. John L. Laughter.
applied and obtained from the
Deputy of the Court of Pleas and
Quarter Sessions of the County and
State aforesaid a Marriage License
to be solemnized between him
and Ann Hunt - which was
duly issued upon his executing
and filing a penal bond a-
mong to Law - which said bond
is now in file and is in words
and figures as follows to wit
State of North Carolina
Granville County

Know all
men by these presents, That we
John L. Laughter, & Michael
Hunt are held and firmly bound
unto David Stone Governor, or his
Surgeons in office in the full sum
of Five hundred pounds, current
Money. To be paid to the said
Governor, his surgeons or assigns.
for the which payment well and
truly to be made and done, we
bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors.

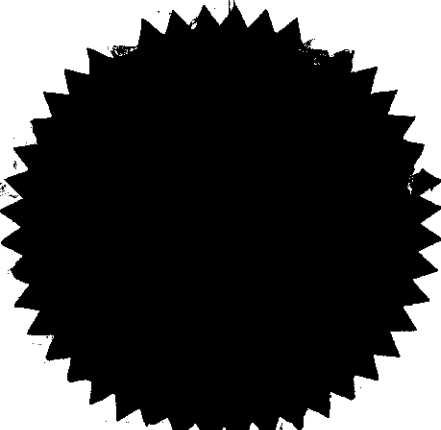
and Administrators, freely and
severally, jointly by their presents,
sealed with our seals, and dated this
8th day of August anno Domini 1809

The condition of the above obligation
is such, That whereas the above bounden
John L. Laughter hath made appli-
cation, for a License for a Marriage
to be celebrated between him and
Ann Hunt, of the County aforesaid
Now, in case it shall not appear
hereafter, that there is any lawful
cause or impediment to obstruct the
said Marriage, then the above
obligation to be Void, otherwise
to remain in full force and
Virtue

Signed seal and } John L. Laughter (seal)
adversum in the presence } Michael Hunt. (seal)
of }
M. M. Sneed }

North Carolina of
Granville County } Stephen Belts,
Clerk of the Superior
Court, for the County of Granville
in the State aforesaid and by
Virtue of my said office, and

the adoption of the new constitution
of said State. Keeper of the records
and files of the State Court of Pleas
and Quarter Sessions of said County
do hereby certify that the foregoing
is a true copy of a marriage bond
filed by John L. Laughter, for a
marriage between him & Ann
Hunt. And I do further certify
that no other or further record of
marriages were made or kept at
that date



Given under my hand and
seal of office at office in
Oxford this the 6. July A.D. 1872
C. J. Pitts Clerk
Superior Court, of
Granville County

Additional Evidence.

Widow's Claim for Pension
Act Feb: 14" 1871

No 6072

Ann Laughter

Filed by R. W. Walker,
Presnt,

Soldier... Laughter, John L.

Numbers

War of 1812

Widow... Laughter, Ann.

Wid. Orig. 6072

Service... Capt. 1st Regt. N.C.

Wid. Gtf. 3500

Mil.

Bounty
Land 14964-80-50
Warrants 33682-80-55

Enl. Sept. 24, 1814.

Dis. Feb., 5, 1815.

Residence

of Soldier 1850-1855 Warren Co., N. C.

Residence

of Widow 1871- Warren Plains, Warren Co., N. C.

Maiden name

of Widow Ann Hunt

Marriage of

Soldier and Widow Aug. 8, 1809, Granville Co., N.C.

Death

of Soldier Jan. 6, 1858. Warren Co., N. C.

Death of

Widow Oct. 28, 1876.

Exr.
LIR 3/28/19

Rev'r

J.S. 3/29/19

W.M.C.

3/29/19

Envelope
written by

Rev'r

WAR OF 1812.

ACT OF FEBRUARY 14, 1871.

BRIEF OF CLAIM FOR A WIDOW'S PENSION

in the case of Ann Laughter, widow of John Laughter

of _____, a _____ of _____

Captain John L. Laughter Company, Colonel _____ Reg't, _____

N. C. Mil

Residence, Warren Co N.C.

Post Office address, Warren Plains Warren Co N.C.

Soldier enlisted 24 Sept, 1814, Discharged 5 Feb, 1815.

Served afterward from _____, 18____, to _____, 18____,

in Captain _____ Company, Colonel _____ Reg't, _____

Declaration and identification in due form, filed Aug. 30, 1871.

SERVICE FOR SIXTY DAYS SHOWN AS FOLLOWS:

Bounty Land & Div reports, "John L. Laughter for his service as Capt. in 1st Reg. N.C. Mil from 24 Sept 1814 to 5 Feb 1815"

Total service, 135 days.

Soldier died 6 or 8 Feb, 1815; date and fact established by aff of Henry D. Martin
Thos Montgomery, Francis M. Tucker, & J. B. Solomon

Continued widowhood since his death established by testimony of Thos A. Montgomery, Francis
M. Tucker and Henry D. Martin

Marriage to soldier prior to February 17, 1815, established by Certified Copy of Marriage
Bond "dated this 8 day of August Anni Dornier 1809"

Oath to support the Constitution of the United States subscribed. Non-receipt of pension declared. Loyalty established by affidavits of Jos. A. Egerton and S. H. Bennett

Their credibility certified by J. J. Young Collector

Admitted Aug. 1st, 1872, to a pension of eight dollars per month, from

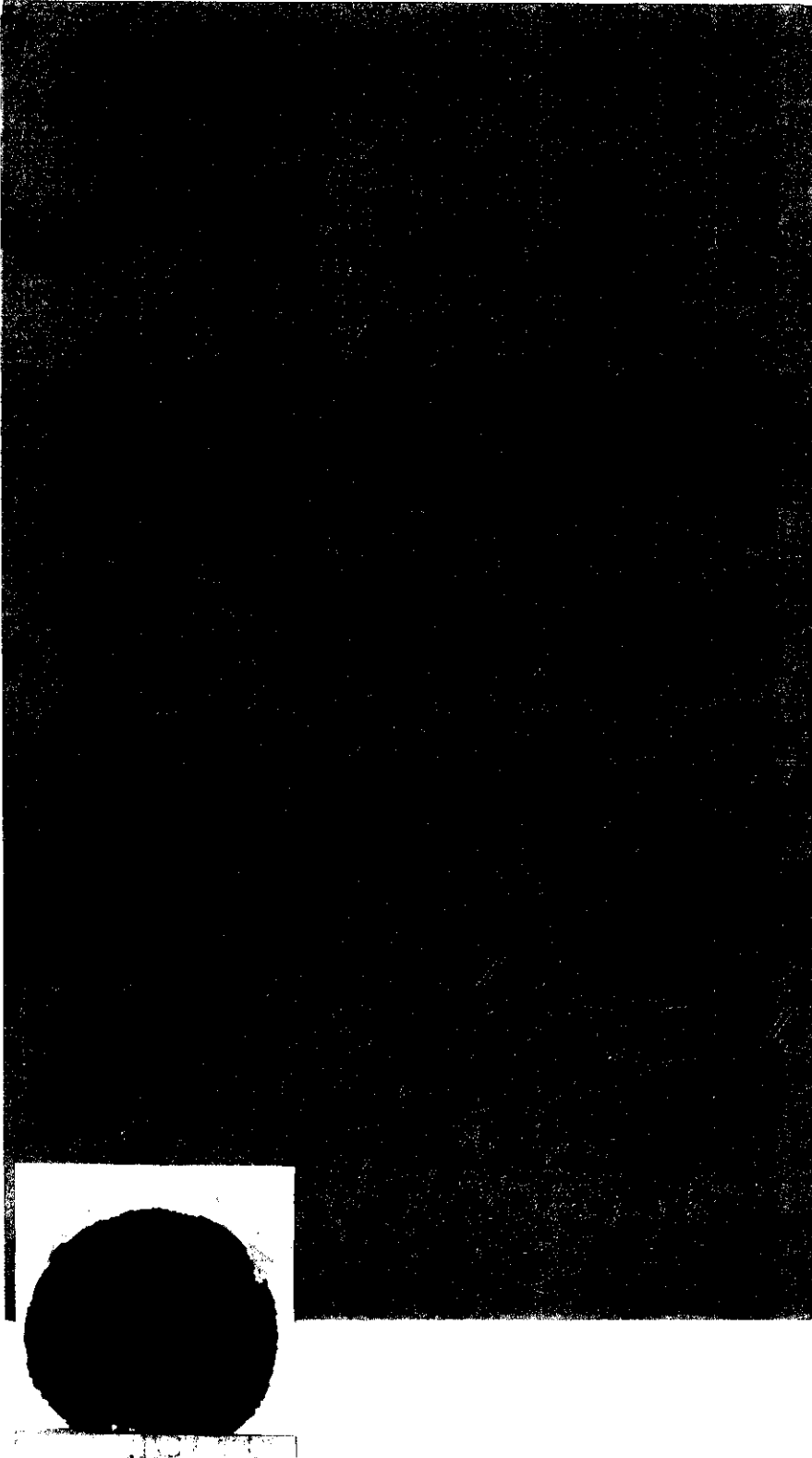
February 14, 1871:

McGranger
Examiner.

Approved:

R. B. Walker Esq
Washington
D.C.

A. N. Fisher
Reviewer.



To the Comm^{rs} of Pensions

Warren County NC
May 17th 1858

Sir: I request that a Land Warrant
which was issued to my late
husband John L. Laughter, maybe
cancelled and a new warrant for
the same issued in my name
(the warrant is sent herewith)

A^d \$1400⁰⁰ for Eighty Acres

I am Respectfully

Yours Most Sincerely

Wife

Tancy Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

John Laughter

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John Laughter

State of NC }

Warren County } We the undersigned

Certify on oath that

we are well acquainted with Army
Laughter who has this day signed
the within request for the removal
of a Land Warrant & we know him
to be the widow of John Laughter
to whom the said Warrant No. 14964
was issued which is dated the
29th day of Sept. 1851 and we
also certify that we are not in
any ^{way} interested in the said Warrant
Given under our hands this 7th
day of May 1858

John P. Rose

Mayor, Guilford

I Sworn to & Subscribed

before me the day & date
above written

Thos. J. Judkins Jr.

State of N. Carolina
County of Warren

I Thomas J. Guddens
a Magistrate in & for the said County
Certify that I am well acquainted
with John L. Rose & Simon Fleming
who I identify Nancy Laughter as
the widow of John Laughter who
was a Capt. of the 1st Reg. N. Carolina
Militia of the War of 1812
and that they are credible persons
& worthy to be believed in Oath

Given under my hand and
Seal this 27th day of May 1858

Thos. J. Guddens

State of North Carolina }
County of Warren }

On this 26th day of June AD 1858,
personally appeared before the undersigned
a Justice of the Peace in and for said
County of Warren, and State of North
Carolina, who are to me well known
and who are credible witnesses, and who
being by me duly sworn, depose and say,
that they are each well acquainted with
Mrs Nancy Laughter the applicant for
a bounty land - that they have known
her for thirty years past past. That they
~~were~~ well acquainted with John Laughter
deceased, her late husband, having known
him for thirty - years previous to his death;
that they the said Nancy and John
lived together as husband and wife, and
were so reputed to be, that depose
never heard the fact of their marriage
disputed or questioned. That the said
John Laughter died on the 6th day
of January 1858. and the said Nancy has
since that day, and still is reputed to be
his widow which depose believe to
be the fact. That she has never married
since her husband's death, and still is his
widow. and that her said husband was
the identical ~~man~~ man mentioned
as a soldier in her declaration above.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me, this 26th day of
June AD 1858 -
Thos. J. Guadling, J. P.

Witnesses
J. P. Walker
Richard Stevenson

State of North Carolina }
County of Warren }

I hereby certify that
Thomas I. Jenkins Esq., before whom the
forgoing affidavit was made and
acknowledged, and who has therewith
subscribed his name, was at the time
of so doing a Justice of the Peace in
and for the County aforesaid, duly
commissioned and sworn, and
that his signature therewith is
genuine.

In testimony whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and
affixed the seal of the
Court for the County aforesaid
this the 29th day of June
AD 1858 -

J. W. White clk
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United States" passed September 25th 1850

John L. Laughter

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day
and year above written; And I hereby certify
that I believe the said John L. Laughter
to be the identical man who served as a soldier
and that he is of the age above stated.

C. J. Pitts, J. L. Laughter

Know all men by these presents that I
John L. Laughter of the County of Warren
and State of North Carolina have con-
stituted, and appointed, and by these presents
do constitute and appoint Ferdinand W.
Ridgely of Washington City my true and lawful
attorney irrevocably for me and in my name
to receive from the United States the Bounty Land
Certificate or Warrant, or Pension Certificate
and all such sums or sums of money due me
on account of arrears of pay, three months
extra pay, forage, mileage for horses and other
property lost or destroyed in the military service
expenses incurred or money expended for organizing
Volunteer Companies before being mustered into
service of the United States, or any money or moneys
which may be due by the United States on any
account whatsoever, and generally to do all
lawful acts and things whatsoever touching

the premises and an attorney or attorneys under him for the purpose aforesaid to make and at his pleasure to revoke. Herely confirming all and whatsoever my said attorney shall in my name legally do or cause to be done in and about the premises.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 16th day of October 1850.

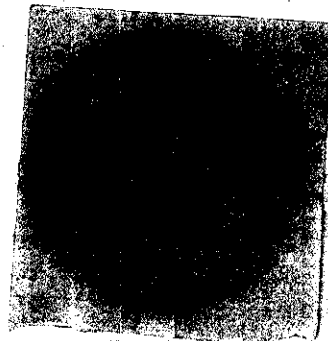
~~Notary Public Seal~~

Acknowledged and subscribed before me Oliver D. Fitts a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Warren and State of North Carolina this the 16th day of October 1850.

O. D. Fitts *(Seal)*

State of North Carolina }
Warren County } I hereby certify that O. D. Fitts Esq before whom the foregoing declaration and power of Attorney was made, and who has therunto subscribed his name was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid duly commissioned and sworn and his signature thereto is genuine. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County aforesaid this 16th day of October 1850.

J. W. White Clerk



Sept 6/57, No 44. 146
John L. Laughten
Capt. of the 1st Regt. A.C.
Militia.
Oct Sep 28/60

County Land Claims
act 28th Sept: 1850

War of 1812

F. W. Ridgway
Attorney

No

ACT OF FEBRUARY 14, 1871.

WAR OF 1812.

Ann Laughter
Warren Plains Warren Co. N.C.
- Widow of -
John L. Laughter -
Capt. N.C. Mil
Died Jan 6th 1858
Warren Co. N.C.

Received Aug 18th 1871.
Chas. H. Walker
Washington
D.C.

Attorney.

March 7. 72 B S Div
May 31-72 J F G—
Mar. death Char. J F G
Aug. 8. Cert of P F C A

State of North Carolina
Warren County

In the matter of claim for Pension of Mrs Ann Laughter, widow of John S. Laughter who was a soldier in the North Carolina Militia war of 1812, personally appeared before me, William A. White Clerk of the Superior Court in and for said County. Thomas A. Montgomery and Francis M. Tucker personally known to be of good character for truth who being sworn say: We are personally well acquainted with the said Mrs Ann Laughter that we are Fifty four - and Seventy three years of age respectively and have known Mrs Ann Laughter for thirty four - years having during this time been near neighbors to her, that we were also well acquainted with the said John S. Laughter, deceased, - that we believe that the said John S. Laughter is dead - because we have been so informed by persons of undoubted integrity - We also know that the said Mrs Ann Laughter has not married since the death of the said John S. Laughter, for we have all the while (with the exception of a few years) lived near her and been intimate with her, and should have known if she had married. We furthermore state that

we have no interest in her claim.

Witness

J H Bennett
W B Huddy

Thos. A. Montgomery,

Francis M. Tucker

North Carolina }
Warren County }

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this the 20th day of July A.D. 1872, and
I certify that the foregoing affidavits were
read over and made known to the affiants before
they signed their names thereto.

William A. White, Clerk
of the Superior Court of
Warren County, N.C.

State of North Carolina
Warren County

In the matter of
claim for Pension of Mrs Ann Laughter widow
of John L. Laughter, who was a soldier in
the North Carolina Militia war of 1812,
personally appeared before me William A. White
Clerk of the Superior Court in and for said
County and State Henry D. Martin a person
known to be of good character for truth who
being sworn says; I am personally well ac-
quainted with the said Mrs Ann Laughter, that
I am sixty four years of age, and
have known Mrs Ann Laughter for forty
five - years having been during this time
near neighbor to her, that I was also well
acquainted with the said John L. Laughter
deceased; that I know the said John L.
Laughter is dead, because I was at his
funeral and saw him after death - I

also know that the said Mrs Ann Laughter
has not married since the death of said
John L. Laughter, for I have all the while
lived near her and been intimate with her
and should have known if she had
married - I furthermore state that I have
no interest in her claim. Henry D. Martin

Wm. A. White
J. H. Bennett
W. B. Humbley

North Carolina }
Warren County }

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this the 20th day of July A.D. 1872.
and I certify that the foregoing affidavits
were read over and made known to the af-
fiant before he signed his name thereto.

William A. White Clerk
of the Superior Court of
Warren County, N.C.

WAR OF 1812.

Widow's Pension Claim,
No. 6072

Anna Laughter
Soldier Capt John L Laughter
Served in Capt. John L Laughter Co.
N C Militia

Warrant No. 33682-80-55

Required: Service marriage
& death of soldier

I F Gleason, Examiner.

Report Warrant issued
to John L. Laughter for
his service as Capt in
1st Reg. N. C. Mil. from 24
Sept 1814 to 5 Feb 1815
3rd aud.

J. Fortna
Chief B'ty L'd Div.

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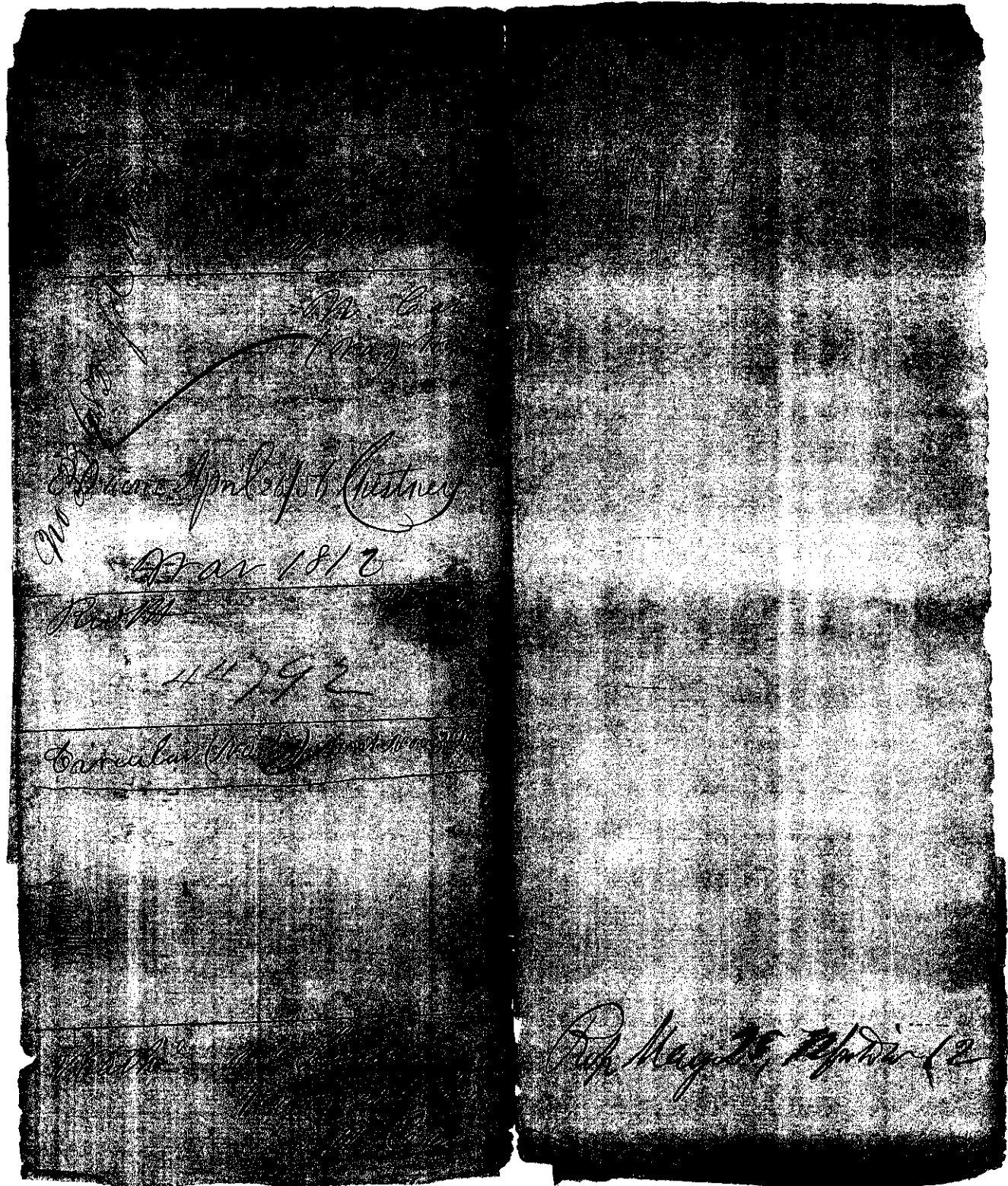
State of West Virginia }
County of Monongalia } ss:

On this 8th day of July, A. D. 1872, personally appeared before me a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Rev J. B. Solomon a resident of Morgantown West-Var. to me well known whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit who being duly sworn does upon his oath declare that on or about the 6th or 8th day of January 1858, he participated in the funeral services of Col. J. L. Laughter, and likewise saw him buried, from which ~~fact~~ he is positive as to his death, he further declares that he has no interest in this matter in any way whatever and that his Post-Office Address is Morgantown West-Var.

J. B. Solomon,
former Pastor of Baptist Church,
Warrenton, N.C.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the day and year first above written and I certify that the Clerk's certificate showing my official Character is on file with the Pension Office and that I have no interest in this matter.

C. M. Smith
J. P.



Mr. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Mar 1812

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Carroll (Mr.) [illegible]

Rep. May 25, 1812 (2)

State of North Carolina

Warren County

} On this 14th day of July
1855 personally came before me William Plummer
One of the acting Justices of the peace for the county aforesaid
John L. Laughter aged about 70 years and a resident of Warren
County aforesaid who being duly sworn according to law
did upon his oath make the following declaration to wit:
That he is the identical John L. Laughter who was Captain
of ^{Capt Laughter's} company composing a part of the first Regiment of
North Carolina detached Militia mustered into the service of the
United States on 13th day of October 1814 at the City of Norfolk
and State of Virginia in the War with Great Britain
declared in 1812 - that he served at the City of Norfolk
aforesaid a term of four months and six days the
time he continued in actual service in said war and was
honorably discharged all of which will appear by reference to the rolls &c
That he has therefore made application for Bounty Land
under the Act of September 28th 1850 and received a
Land Warrant ~~Now~~ for eighty acres which he
has since legally disposed of and cannot now return

He makes this declaration for the purpose of
obtaining the additional Bounty Land to which he may
be entitled under the Act approved 3rd day of March 1855
He also declares that he has never applied ^{for} nor received
under this or any other Act of Congress any

bounty Land Warrant except the one above mentioned
all of which will appear more fully by reference to the
evidence on file in Pension office

John L. Laughter Seal

We John Wortham and Thomas A. Montgomery
both residents of Warren County and State of North Carolina
upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration
was signed and acknowledged by John L. Laughter
in our presence and that we are well acquainted with
him and know him to be the identical person he represents
himself to be and also that we are entirely disinterested
in the above claim

John Wortham Seal
Thomas A. Montgomery Seal

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were presented
and subscribed before me the day and year above written, and
I certify that I know the affiants to be credible persons
that the claimant John L. Laughter is the person he repre-
sents himself to be and that I have no interest in the above
claim nor in any way concerned in its prosecution

W. C. Phummes J. O. Seal

State of North Carolina
Warren County, }

I, John M. White Clerk of
The Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of The County of
Warren aforesaid, do hereby Certify that William Plum-
mer, whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing
declaration and affidavit, - is now and was at the time
of signing the same, one of the acting Justices of the
Peace in and for said County of Warren, duly commis-
sioned and qualified, and that full faith and Credit - are
due to all his official acts -

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal of office in Warrenton
on the 18th day of July A. D. 1835. -

J. M. White Clerk

WAR OF 1812.
DECLARATION OF A WIDOW FOR PENSION.

To be executed before Judge or Clerk of Court.

State of North Carolina }
County of Warren } ss

On this Twenty day of July, A. D. eighteen hundred and seventy-one, personally appeared before me, William M. White Clerk, of the Superior Court, a Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid, Mrs. Anna Laughter, aged 80 years, a resident of Warren County of North Carolina, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Capt. John L. Laughter, who served the full period of sixty days in the (1) Military service of the United States in the War of 1812, and who was the identical John L. Laughter who (2) volunteered as Captain of a Company, in Col. by Donalds 1st B. C. Detached Militia Regiment, 1st Brigade, 2nd Division, at Warrenton B. C. on the 24th day of September, 1814, and was honorably discharged at Bonfolk Va. on the 14th day of February, 1815; that (3) he was stationed while in service at Bonfolk Virginia, and faithfully performed his duty, as commander of his company - His discharge has been lost

that she was married under the name of Anna Harris to said John L. Laughter, on the 8th day of August, A. D. 1809, by a Mr. Webb Justice of the Peace, at her home in Grassville B., there being no legal barrier to such marriage; that her said husband died at home in Warren County B. C. on the 6th day of January, 1858, and that she has not remarried since his death; that at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States did she or her said husband adhere to the cause of the enemies of the Government, giving them aid or comfort, or exercised the functions of any office whatever under any authority, or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States; that she will support the Constitution of the United States; that she is not in receipt of a pension under any previous act; that she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension rolls of the United States, under the provisions of the act approved February 14, 1871, and hereby constitutes and appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, R. W. Walker Esq. of Washington D. C. her true and lawful attorney, to prosecute her claim, and obtain the pension certificate that may be issued; that her post office is at Warren Plains, County of Warren, State of North Carolina; that her domicile or place of abode is at Warren Plains B. C.

ATTEST

Gas. A. Egerton

J. H. Bennett

Anna Laughter
Applicant.

NOTE.—1. "Military" or "naval."

2. "Was drafted," "enlisted," or "was enrolled."

3. Here give place, capacity, and manner of service, and any historical events in the war in which he participated, or with which he was connected.

NOTE.—Record evidence of marriage must be furnished if possible; if no record, then the next best evidence. Proof of marriage, &c., can be made before a J. P., Notary Public or other officer.

Also personally appeared James A. Egerton and John H. Bennett, residing at No. 10 in Warrenton County of Warren & State of North Carolina -

I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, say : They were present and saw Mrs. Anna Laughter, the claimant, sign her name (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration ; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant, and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and she has not remarried since the death of her husband, but remains his widow ; and at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States did she, or her said husband, adhere to the cause of the enemies of the Government, or give them aid or comfort ; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

James A. Egerton

J. H. Bennett

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this Seventeenth day of July, A. D. 1877, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words erased, and the words added ; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]

William A. White
Clerk of the Superior Court.

War of 1812.
DECLARATION OF A WIDOW
FOR PENSION.

CLAIM OF

Mrs. Anna Laughter

Widow of Capt. John L. Laughter

Co., 1st Regt.

100 Brig. Stonewall Div.

Return to J. H. Jones.

Raleigh, N. C.

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State of North Carolina
COUNTY OF Warren
TOWN OF Warrenton

SS.

On this Seventeenth day of July, A. D. 18 71, personally appeared before me the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for said county, James A. Egerton, and Sham H. Burnett, who are to me well known, and who are credible witnesses, and who, being by me duly sworn, depose and say, that they are each well acquainted with Mrs. Ann Laughter, the above applicant for Bounty Land—that they have known her for thirty four years last past. That they were acquainted with Capt. John L. Laughter her late husband, having known him for twenty one years previous to his death; that they, the said Capt. John L. Laughter and Mrs. Ann Laughter lived together as husband and wife, and were reputed so to be; that deponents never heard the fact of their marriage disputed or questioned. That the said Capt. John L. Laughter died on the 6th day of January 18 58; and the said Mrs. Ann Laughter has been since that day, and still is reputed to be his widow, which deponents believe to be the fact. That she has never married since her said husband's death, and still is his widow, and that her said husband was the identical man mentioned as a soldier by Ann Laughter in her declaration above, and further, that they were present and saw Ann Laughter execute the foregoing affidavit by signing her name to the foregoing declaration, and making oath thereto in due form of law, and further, that they, deponents, do reside in the county aforesaid, and that they have no interest in this claim.

Witness:

William A. White

James A. Egerton
Sham H. Burnett

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, this Seventeenth day of July, 18 71, and I certify that the claimant and witnesses are credible and worthy; that the contents of the foregoing declaration and affidavit were carefully read to them before signing.

William A. White

Clerk of the Superior Court.

State of

SS.

County of

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That..... Esq., before whom the foregoing affidavits and Power of Attorney were made and acknowledged, and who has thereunto subscribed his name, was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace, in and for the county aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn, and that his signatures thereto are genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of..... Court, for the county aforesaid, this..... day of..... 18 ..

Clerk of.....

CLAIM OF WIDOW FOR BOUNTY

LAND,

WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY
WARRANT.

CLAIM OF

Mrs. Ann Laughter
Warren Plains, N.C.
Widow of Captain John
L. Laughter of the
12th Regt. Delaware
Military
Return to J. H. Jones,
Raleigh, N.C.

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July 21/71

CLAIM OF
Widow for Bounty Land, who has not Received any Warrant.

State of North Carolina } ss.
COUNTY OF Warren

On this Twentieth day of July - A. D. 1871, before me, the undersigned, a Clerk of the Superior Court duly authorized by law to administer oaths within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Mrs. Ann Laughter aged 32 years, a resident of Warren Place, in the County of Warren and State of North Carolina, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Capt. John L. Laughter deceased, who was a Captain in the company commanded by Captain John L. Laughter, in the Regiment 1st B. C. Detached Infantry commanded by Capt. Duncan McDonald in the War with Great Britain in 1812, stationed while in service at Norfolk Va.

That her husband entered the service at Warrenton B. C. about the 24th day of September A. D. 1814, for the term of the war, and continued in actual service in said War for the term of five months (the term of the war) and was honorably discharged at Norfolk Va. on the 14th day of February A. D. 1815:

She further states that she was married to the said John L. Laughter in Grenwell County State of North Carolina on the 8th day of August A. D. 1809, by one Webb Esq. a Justice of the Peace; and that her name before her said marriage was Ann Hunt; that her husband died at Warrenton B. C. on the 6th day of January A. D. 1858, and that she is still his widow; that there is no public record of her marriage; that there is a private record of her marriage on of her husband's death in the Family Bible.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be entitled on account of said service, and mileage under the act passed. That she has never applied for, or received under this or any other Act of Congress, any Bounty Land Warrant.

She hereby appoints R. H. Maer of Warrenton her true and lawful Attorney, with power of substitution, to prosecute this her claim for land, to receive the Certificate or Warrant when issued, and to do all other acts necessary and proper in the premises.

Witness:

J. A. Egerton
J. H. Pennington

Ann Laughter

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, on the day and year first above mentioned, and I hereby certify that I know the said deponent Mrs. Ann Laughter to be as is above stated, and that she is of the age above stated; and further, that I am not interested in this her claim as Attorney or otherwise.

William A. White

Clerk of the Superior Court.