

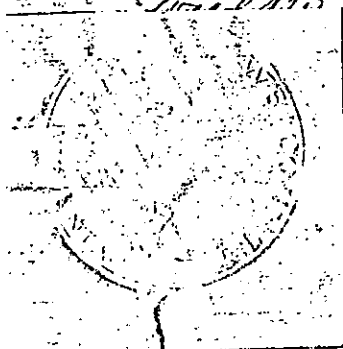
Virginia

Clerk's Office of the County Court
of Matthews December 17th 1857

I, Shepard G. Miller, Clerk of the County Court
of Matthews in the State aforesaid, hereby certify,
that I have seen from the records and files of the said
Office, that the rites of marriage was celebrated
or solemnized between Caleb Hudgins and
Joice Legg now Joice Hudgins on the 22nd day
of December 1804 by the Rev. a John Callis
of the Methodist Episcopal Church and that
the said John Callis was duly authorized by
law to solemnize marriages in the Common-
wealth of Virginia.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed the seal of
Office of the said County Court of
Matthews this 17th day of Decemr
1857.

Shepard G. Miller



Widow's personal - Caleb Hudgins
donated by Elvance Wilson

Power of Attorney

Know all men by these presents that I Jane
Hudgins of the County of
Mathews and State of Virginia have constituted and
appointed William Straker my true and lawful
attorney, in and to the United States the Bounty
Land certificate or warrant due me under existing
laws granting Bounty Lands for services rendered in
the United States in different wars, 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 hereby confirming all and what-
soever my said attorney shall in my name legally
do or cause to be done in the premises. In testimony
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
22nd day of March in the year one thousand
eight hundred and fifty five

Jane Hudgins Seal

Acknowledged and subscribed before me a Justice
of the peace in and for the County of Mathews and
State of Virginia this 22nd day of March

1855 William Foster J.P. Seal

State of Virginia Mathews County SS.

I Supers B. Miller Clerk of the County, do hereby certify that the above
deed by before whom the foregoing affidavits were made, and who has thereto signed his name was
at the time of so - viz a Justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid duly sworn and



that his signature is genuine. I further certify that by the record of the said
Court it appears that the said Caleb Hudgins and Jane Biggs by John B. Calhoun
on the 22nd of December 1844, a minister of the Gospel

from under my hand and Seal of Office this 27th of March 1855.

Supers B. Miller C.C.

3^d 1855 She also declares that she has never received nor applied
for Bounty Land under this or any other act of Congress
except as above stated

Joice ^{by} Hodgins

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year
above written, and I certify that I believe the claimant
to be the identical person she represents herself to be
and that I have no interest in said claim

Wm. Foster J. P.

State of Virginia }
County of Mathews } J. P.

On this 22^d day of March
A. D. 1855 personally appeared before me a justice of the
peace, within and for the county of and State of aforesaid
Nancy S. Hodgins and Rosanna Hodgins
residents of the State of Virginia and County of Mathews,
who being duly sworn according to law declare that they
are personally and well acquainted with Mrs. Joice
Hodgins who saw her sign her name
to the foregoing declaration that they know her to be the
identical person therein represented and that she is
now a widow, and they swear that they are disinterested
witnesses.

Nancy S. Hodgins (seal)
Rosanna Hodgins (seal)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22^d day of
March 1855 and I certify that the said Nancy
S. Hodgins and Rosanna Hodgins are credible
and respectable citizens. Given under my hand and
seal this 22^d day of March 1855

Wm. Foster J. P. (seal)

Bounty Land Claims

State of Virginia }
County of Mathews } Sd

On this 22nd day of March

A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty five personally
appeared before me Winthro Foster
a Justice of the peace within and for the County and State
aforesaid Dice Hodgins aged sixty six years a
resident of Mathews County in the state of Virginia
who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the
widow of Caleb Hodgins deceased who
was a soldier in the Company commanded by Captain
John Mills in the 6th Regiment of Vir-
ginia Militia commanded by Col, Levin Gayle, in the war
with Great Britain declared by the United States on the
18th day of June 1812, that her said husband Caleb
Hodgins was enlisted at _____ on or about the
day of _____ A. D. for the term
of the way _____ and continued in
actual service in said war for the term of five months with
the pay rolls well shown and was discharged at the end of the war
on the _____ day of _____ A. D.

She further states that she was married to the said Caleb
Hodgins in Mathews County
on the 23rd day of December 1814
by one John Wallis a minister of the Gospel
and that her name before her said marriage was Dice
Digger that her said husband died at
Mathews being on the 2nd day of October 1839 A. D.
and that she ^{insert} the date executing this her declaration, and
having obtained a Bounty Land warrant under the act
of Sept 24th 1850 for eighty acres of
land which she has legally transferred and disposed
of and not within her power to return, she refers to said
declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land
to which she may be entitled under the act approved March

State of Virginia }
County of Mathews } Do wit

On this 15th day of February A.D. 1857 Anthony
Deggs — — aged 55 years personally appeared before me
a justice of the peace within the County and State aforesaid
who being duly sworn according to law declares that
he was acquainted with Joice Hudgins before her
intermarriage with Caleb Hudgins and that her name
before her Marriage was Joice Deggs
and he further states that he was also acquainted
with Caleb Hudgins before his Marriage with Joice
Deggs and he further states that he knows that
they was married because he was at the wedding
and saw them married and further states that
he has lived in the neighbourhood near them
up to the time of the death of Caleb Hudgins
and that he still lives in the neighbourhood near
Joice Hudgins and that he knows that they
the said Caleb Hudgins and Joice Hudgins did live
together as husband and wife up to the time of
his death and that Joice Hudgins is still the
widow of Caleb Hudgins

Anthony Deggs

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

W. G. Lane J. P.

Know all men by these presents that I, Josie Hudgins
of the County of Mathews and State of Virginia have constituted and appointed
Remond W Shannon of Mathews County my true and lawful Attorney in
and for me and in my name to receive from the United States my bounty
and certificate or warrant, or any money or moneys which may be due me
in any account from the United States whatsoever, and generally to do
all lawful acts and things whatsoever touching the premises and an Attorney
and Attornies under him for the purpose aforesaid to make and at his
pleasure to revoke hereby 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
face this 30th day of Nov — 1850

Josie Hudgins

Acknowledged and subscribed
for me a justice of the peace
in and for the County of Mathews
and State of Virginia this 30th day
of Nov^r 1850
Wm S. Thomas

(Seal)

State of Virginia
County of Mathews 3 P.S.

I, Shepard G. Miller Clerk of the County
do hereby certify, that William S. Thurston and Walter G.
Lane Esqrs, whose signatures appear within, are &
were at the time of signing the same Justices of the
Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly
Commissioned and sworn: and that their official
acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit
and said County Court is a Court of record.
Given under my hand & Seal at Mathews
Court House this 15th day of July A.D.
1851

Shepard G. Miller



83. 116

Declaration of
Jesse Simpson
Walter of
Robert Simpson

Received by

Jesse Simpson

State of Virginia } S.S.

County of Mathews }

On this 30th day of November A.D. 1850 personally appeared before me a justice of the peace within the County and State aforesaid Joice
Hudgins aged 64 years a resident of Mathews County in the
State of Virginia who being duly sworn according to law declares that
she is the widow of Caleb Hudgins deceased who was a
Soldier in the Company commanded by Captain
Laughly B. Eccles ^{under Captain John Pollock} and then in the 6th Regiment of Militia commanded
by Col. Sevin Gayle, in the war with Great Britain declared by
the United States on the 18th of June 1812. that her said Husband
was enrolled as a Militia man
on or about the day of A.D. 18 and continued in actual
Service in said war for the term of the whole war
and was honorably discharged at
on or about day of A.D. 18 as will appear by the
muster rolls of said Company

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty
land to which she may be entitled under the act passed September
28th 1850

Joice ^{her} Hudgins
mark

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

Wm. Johnston J.P.
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Josce. Hodgins Widow of

Caleb Hodgins Private

Capt. John Bellup

Col. Lewis Bayle } Va. Mil

Nov 1852

Re: War - 80 over

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W. L. Matthews

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July 26 1853

Ad. 80 over

OR 03710 Aug 14/55

Stables 1855

William L. Matthews

Matthews C. H.

Va

3 d. bet. June 7 & 13 1813
4 d. b. 6 Aug. 7 13 Sept 1813
12 19 d. b. 14 Sep 13 4 13 Oct 1813
2 11 d. b. 5 Oct 11 June 7 31 Dec 14
1 11 d. b. 16 Oct 11 June 14

5 11 months 4 4 days 1813
6 August 1813 1 1/2 d.
1813.

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Jos. W. Higgins

Wednesport

Caleb Higgins and

Capt Phillips

61 Reg Va M. S.

En route to

War 1842

3rd Reg Va

3rd Office

21 Nov 51

Caleb Higgins sent in
Cape Phillips ca 5 months
and 4 days between
August 1843 and 1 February
1845

J. H. Gallaher

J. H. Gallaher

Nos. 243 Nov. 26, 51 L.H.A.

Ed. W. Robinson

Matthews Co. C.H.

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Adm. R. Jones Jan 10 52

Feb 8 52 to same 12/52