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Higgins, Ananias,

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know all these by their presents that we Henry  
Roy and Samuel Austin of the County of Wayne  
and State of North Carolina heirs at law of Ananias  
Higgins of said County do constitute and app-  
oint Samuel Godwin of Washington City our true  
and lawful attorney for us and our heirs to  
ask for, and receive from the Commissioners of Pen-  
sion the Pension Certificate that is due to our an-  
cestors of said Ananias Higgins deceased under act  
of June 1832 and generally to do all lawful acts  
and things as an attorney hereby revoking all  
former Powers of Attorney at any time heretofore  
executed by us or any one else claiming to have  
an interest in said matter, fully ratifying  
and confirming all and whatsoever said said attorney  
shall do lawfully by virtue hereof.

Witness our hands and seals this 3<sup>d</sup> February  
A.D. 1854

Attest Isaac M. Boyles J.P.

Samuel <sup>his</sup> Austin and  
Henry Roy  
Attorneys

State of North Carolina  
County of Wayne 1854

On this 3<sup>d</sup> day of February A.D. 1854 personally  
appeared before me the undersigned an acting Justice



September and was in the battle and had two brothers killed  
in the battle whose names were Robert and William Higgins  
and that he received a discharge in Salisbury from the Madras  
and returned home when he became sickly and was out no more  
except in scouting parties of a week or two at a time after the  
stand one time captured by you kept him out three weeks after  
the forces in these scouting parties he was a volunteer and still  
served as a private And says he has no discharge to show  
they being lost or destroyed many years ago And that he thinks  
he can prove his services by Loring's Minutes And he hardly ever  
distinguishes every clear reference to any person or company  
except the present and has declared that his name is not on the  
pension roll of any agency of any State or United States  
Sworn to and subscribed to the day and first above written

Attest  
McCarland Clerk  
We Jacob O'Haley and Joseph P. Phea and Binyon Minnely  
in the county of Fairfax and Joseph P. Phea and Binyon Minnely  
Esqrs of the county of Fairfax said to the Applicant Benjamin  
Higgins who has sworn to and subscribed to the above De-  
claration that we believe him to be about the age  
of twentythree years that he is reputed and believed  
in the neighborhood where he resides to have been  
a Soldier of the Revolution and that we concur  
in that opinion and do hereby swear to and subscribe to the  
above and give first above written

Attest  
McCarland Clerk  
Jacob O'Haley  
Binyon Minnely  
Joseph P. Phea

And the said County Commissioners declare their opinion after  
investigation of the matter and after putting the  
Applicant interrogatories prescribed by the War Department  
that the above named Applicant Benjamin  
Higgins was a Revolutionary Soldier and Soldier

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

STATE OF *North Carolina*  
COUNTY OF *Yancey* } ss:

Be it known that before the subscriber,

a Justice of the Peace personally appeared *Margaret Austin*  
aged *51* years, who, being duly cautioned and then sworn in due form of law, states, that

She as the *Daughter* — of *Ananias Higgins*  
\*who was a *soldier in the Revolutionary war*  
and that she believes that she is entitled to whatever is due, and that the United States are still indebted to *him*, under the laws of Congress, for the pension that was due *under act of June AD 1802* and that for the purpose of investigating and establishing *his* claims as aforesaid, she appoints *TULLY B. WISE*, of Washington, D. C., her true and lawful attorney with irrevocable powers, to examine all papers on file, and to do whatever she might do were she personally present to establish *her* claim.

In witness whereof, I have on this *25* day *October* 1852, hereunto signed *my* name, and affixed *my* seal.

*Margaret Austin*  
SEAL  
SEAL  
SEAL

Witness: *Nathan Ray*  
Witness: *Jesse B. Peterson*

Signed, sealed, acknowledged, and sworn to before me; and I further certify, that *Margaret Austin* has always by the community been known as the *Daughter of Ananias Higgins*

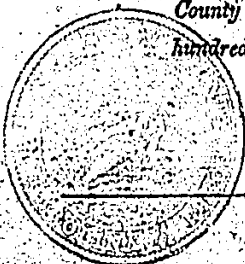
Dated on this *25* day of *October* 1852.

*Abraham Penland* J. P.

STATE of \_\_\_\_\_ }  
COUNTY of \_\_\_\_\_ } to wit:

I hereby certify, That *Abraham Penland* Esq., before whom the foregoing power of attorney was made, 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 signature above written is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of *Yancey* County Court, this *27<sup>th</sup>* day of *October* one thousand eight hundred and *52*.



*Abraham Penland* Clerk  
of *Yancey* County Court

\* State whether an applicant or a pensioner.