## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Sarah Cunningham VAS2019 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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To the Hon'ble the Gen'l. assembly of Virginia

The Petition of Sarah Cunningham of Harrison County Humbly sheweth, that your Petitioner removed about forty nine years ago to the waters of the west fork of the Monongalia river [West Fork River, a tributary of Monongahela River] that for many years was much infested by the Indians once had their house burnt & frequently their stock near all killed or stolen – that in repelling the savages she often assisted – and at one time, to her knowledge, killed one, and severely if not mortally wounded another, that she hath been left a widow many years, & her Children have all left her, and, being seventy five years of age & not well able to support herself by labour she prays she may be allowed a small annual pension for the remainder of her life.

Sarah Cunningham

We the Subscribers, of Harrison County believe the representations in the within Petition are true and recommend the Petitioner to the liberality of the legislature [signed] B Reeder

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D. Davisson Senior

Dec'r. 2<sup>d</sup> 1816 ref'd to Claims/ Rejected Dec'r 11<sup>th</sup> 1816/ Reported Dec'r 11<sup>th</sup>/ Bill drawn Jan'y 7<sup>th</sup> 1817

NOTE: According to Harrison County historian David Houchin, Sarah Cunningham was the widow of Edward Cunningham, who was the brother of Walter Cunningham (pension application S9263) and of Thomas Cunningham (W4166).