Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Mathew Wallis R11087 Sarah fn17VA
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State of Missouri County of Greene: SS

Personally appeared before the undersigned an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the said County Sarah Wallis, a resident of said County aged eighty-six years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed on the 7th of July 1838, the 3rd of March 1843 and the 17th of June 1844 granting pensions to certain widows of Revolutionary Soldiers.

That she is the widow of Mathew Wallis, who was a Phifer in the war of the Revolution. That said Mathew Wallis entered the service of the United States Army as a Fifer on the 1st of March 1781 from Amelia County Virginia under Captain Overstreet and was immediately marched on to Guilford County North Carolina and was present at the battle of Guilford under General Green [Nathanael Greene]. Soon after which he was transferred into the first Regiment of North Carolina State Troops under Captain Dunahoe [probably a reference to Thomas Donohol and Colonel Henry Dixon and continued under said officers as Fifer until the 1st of August 1782. That soon after said Wallis entered said service, the Regiment to which he belonged was marched home from Orange County North Carolina to join General Green near Camden South Carolina, that from there they were marched to the Siege of Ninety Six and then to the High Hills of Santee and remained there until the battle of the Eutaw Springs in September 1781. That they were then marched back to the High Hills of Santee and then to a place called the "four holes" or Orangeburg and Dorchester where they remained during the fall and winter or spring & summer until he was discharged at Charlotte North Carolina on the first of August 1782. He lost his discharge. She makes the above statement from the recollection she has of the account of his services as detailed by himself after his return. She states that she was living in Amelia County Virginia and was well acquainted with Mathew Wallis before and after his service in the Revolution she recollects distinctly when he entered said service and when he returned from the service and that he was in the southern Army.

She states that she was married to the said Mathew Wallis in Wake County North Carolina in January 1787 and that her maiden name was Sarah Sneed. That said Mathew Wallis died on the 26th day of September 1821 in Iredell County North Carolina. That she has never married since but is now and continues to be his widow.

Sworn to & signed by making her mark before made this September 30th 1845 S/R. W. Sims, JP S/ Sarah Wallis, X her mark

State of Kentucky County of Grayson: Sct.

Personally appeared before the undersigned an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said

County Moses Edwards alias Hopper, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath depose and say. That he was well acquainted with Mathew Wallis when said affiant was in the Service of the United States in the war of the Revolution in the State of North Carolina. He further states that said Mathew Wallis was a messmate of affiant's during the whole of said service under Colonel Dixon and Major Armstrong of the first Regiment of North Carolina State Troops. This affiant further states that said Matthew Wallis was a Fifer in Captain Dunaho's Company from the first of March 1781 until this affiant left said service in July 1782. And further saith not.

Sworn to & signed before me this 10th day of March 1846 S/ H. Litsey, JP S/ Moses Edwards alias Hopper, X his mark

¹ Moses Edwards (alias, Hopper) W25559