Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Anthony Sharp (Sharpe) R5366¹ Margaret Hulme² f27NC Transcribed by Will Graves 2/7/11 rev'd 5/15/14

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State of Tennessee Williamson County

On this 2nd day of September 1839 personally appeared before the Worshipful Court now sitting in and for said County and is a Court of record Margrate Hulme now but formerly the Lawful Married wife of Anthony Sharp Deceased, and after being sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836 and the act Explanatory of said act passed March the 3rd 1837 and also the act of Congress passed June 7th 1838. That she was married to the first named Anthony Sharp in the Date of 1791 or' 92, this Marriage took place in Sumner County and then was called the settlement of Cumberland and the Territory South of the River Ohio and was married at the house of Abraham Landers who was an acting Justice of the peace at that time and married us, Anthony Sharp at that time bore the title of Mager [Major] and was attending to the regulating the soldiers stationed at the different Block houses on the frontier parts of this new Settlement and where the Indians were very troublesome at that time and he the Identical same and Anthony Sharp traveled from the State of North Carolina under a Letter of Recommendation Signed by his Excellency Alexander Martin who was at that time the Chief Magistrate and Governor of that State this letter of Recommendation there is date the 7th day of February 1785. This Letter gives Anthony Sharp the Title of Major also recommends him as a faithful Officer of the Continental Army of the United States Commissioned a Captain in the North Carolina Line bearing date the 24th day of August A.D. 1777 and Discharged by a Committee in Congress at Annapolis on 23rd day of February A.D. 1784. These documentary paper will accompany this declaration when presented to the Honorable Department for Examination and after this Marriage Contract was completed Major Anthony Sharp settled on Red River in Sumner County and continued there until the Month of March 1809 when he moved to Williamson County in the State of Tennessee and settled near the town of Franklin where he departed this life on the 9th day of June 1812 and that she being the Identical person was the lawful married wife of Major Anthony Sharp during the whole of his natural life do claim all the allowance annuity or pension due to me through his name for services rendered in the Army of the United States during the war of the Revolution.

She further declares that she afterwards married George hulme [sic] Esqr. a Citizen of the County and State above mentioned this Marriage took place on the 16th day of May 1813, who afterwards was entered on the United States pension list of West Tennessee on the 15th day of

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² Former widow. Her second husband, George Hulme, was a pensioner. George Hulme X917

October 1833 and in conformity with the law of the United States of the 7th of June 1832 is entitled to a pension \$30 per annum. During his natural life, commencing on the 4th of March 1831 and payable semiannually on the 4th of March and 4th of September in every year payment to be made in Nashville Tennessee by the Bank Agent for paying pensions in the agency of West Tennessee, Recorded in the pension office and Book [indecipherable word or figures] page 83 by the Clerk and he the aforesaid named George Hulme a pensioner of the United States died on the 24th day of March 1835 and that she was a widow on the 4th day of July 1836 and still remains a widow as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

She further declares that there is no record which was kept by Major Anthony Sharp in his lifetime that will give his age nor do I recollect my age but believes that I am near sixty-six years of age, the Bible register sets forth the ages of my children Born during Major Anthony Sharp's lifetime which hereafter follows: Bible registry showing the ages and names of all the Legual [sic, legal] hairs [sic, heirs] of the Deceased Anthony Sharp

First – Sarah Sharp Born February 9th 1793

Second – Jane Sharp born June 5th 1795 who enter Married with John B Broadnax she afterwards died and left hairs [heirs]

Third – Elizabeth Sharp born Jany 13th 1797 who enter Married with James Gray Jones & she afterwards died and left hairs [heirs]

forth [sic]-Ann Sharp born August 24, 1798 who enter Married with Anguish Mcfaile & she afterwards died and left hairs [heirs]

Fifth – Sala Nelson Sharp born June 24, 1800

Sixth – Scarcy Davis Sharp born October 5th 1802

Seventh – Sumner Martin Sharp born November 10th 1804 who is since dead and left hairs [heirs]

Eight—Margrate Nelson Sharp born August 4th 1808 who intermarried With Joseph W Camp and is since Dead and left hairs [heirs]

She further declares that the Bible registry kept by Major Anthony Sharp which contained the ages and names of all the Children born before his death and this Bible which contains this record has been in my possession ever since Anthony Sharp's death and that it has not been altered in no part neither by figure nor by letters in order to change the reading thereof to cause a pension to be paid to this declaration.

Test: S/ L B McConnico [?],

S/ Margaret Hulme, X her mark

S/ Lemuel Farmer

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His Excellency Alexander Martin Esquire Governor, Captain General and Commander in chief of the State of North Carolina

To all whom these presents shall come, or on any wise concerned Greeting Whereas Major Anthony Sharp late of the Continental Line of this State hath Intentions of traveling into the States of South Carolina and Georgia to transact some Business of Importance to himself where he may be unknown.

These are to certify that Major Sharp hath resided several years in this State where he sustained a fair and reputable Character; and during the late War between Britain and America demeaned himself a good Officer and respectable Citizen, and as such is hereby recommended to the Notice of every Gentleman, with whom he would chance to entirate [sic, initiate?] an Acquaintance.

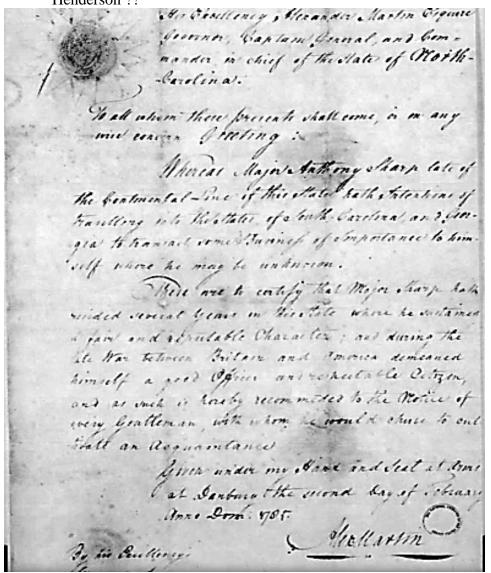
Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms at Danbury the 2nd Day of February Anno. Dom:

1785

S/ Alex. Martin

By his Excellency's Command

Henderson??



[p12: copy of the Bounty Land grant dated March 14, 1786 given to Anthony Sharp by Gov. Richard Caswell conveying 3,840 acres on Big Harpeth River in the West Country [ie, later Tennessee] for service as an officer in the Continental line of NC]

[p 16: the original captaincy commission granted to Anthony Sharpe by the Congress of the US dated February 20, 1784.]

[p 17: extract of letter dated August 27, 1840, from the Pension office to Mrs. Hulme's attorney explaining the reason for the rejection of her claim for the service of her first husband:

"I herewith return the letter of Mr. Jacob Harder of Tennessee and in the case of Mrs. Margaret Hulme formerly widow of John Sharp [sic] under act of 7 July 1838, and have to inform you that her claim was rejected because she was married twice the claim being on account of the service of her first husband. The act of 7th July 1838, does not provide for any widow who has been twice married unless the claim was for service performed by the last husband during the revolutionary war."]