Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Roe¹ R87 Transcribed by Will Graves

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William Roe, Surgeon mate Virginia Navy revolution

Pension Office

7 February 1849

I hereby certify that I have examined the claim of the legal representative of William Roe deceased under the act of Congress of the 5th July 1832 entitled "An Act to provide for paying and liquidating certain claims of the State of Virginia;" That I find the said William Roe was a Surgeon's mate in the State Navy of Virginia, until the reduction thereof and thereby became entitled to half pay for life. That he died intestate at some time between the 28th of September 1791 and the 23rd April 1798 – that said James A English is now the Administrator with the will annexed. I am therefore of the opinion that the claim of the said William Roe should be allowed at the rate of twenty-five cents per day from the 12th of February 1780 to the 28 September 1797 – and that the amount should be paid to the said Administrator – James A English

signed J. L. Edwards
Commissioner of Pensions

Approved (signed) W. L. Marcy Secretary of War

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do Certify that Wm Roe was Appointed Surgeons mate in the State Navy the 12th day of February 1777 and continued in this said service as such till after the 12th of February 1780 S/Wm Saunders Capt.

June 21 1786

Entitled to depreciation for three years service ending 12th of February A.D. S/T. Meriwether

21 June 1786

For valuable Consideration I do assigned to William Reynolds my Claim for depreciation of pay and bounty of land as a Surgeons mate in the State Navy for three years service.

¹ Va. Half Pay. See N. A. Acc. No. 837—Virginia State Navy William Roe Y. S. File

S/Wm Roe

[The above assignment from Roe to Reynolds being certified as being true copy of records by the clerk of Henrico County Virginia – date of the attestation is illegible.]