Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Wallace W11739 Rebecca fn79NC Transcribed by Will Graves 6/9/10

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State of Alabama Morgan County: to wit

On this 27th day of March in the year of our Lord 1839, personally appeared before the Judge of the County court of Morgan County and State aforesaid the Honorable Green P. Rice, Rebecca Wallace a resident of said County, aged ninety years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by act of Congress passed July the 4th 1836. That she is the widow of Thomas Wallace, who was a Captain of the revolutionary war: that he served as follows according to the best of her information and belief. At the commencement of the war he served two campaigns of three months each, under the command of Captain James Barr, in both expeditions he marched from Macklinburgh [sic, Mecklenburg] County North Carolina. In one campaign he was in pursuit of the Cherokee Indians: in the other he marched to Hillsboro, no imported battles were fought in these campaigns -- though there were severe skirmishes. The exact time of these events are not remembered. Captain Wallace after this change to his residence to Sullivan County then the frontier of North Carolina. About the month of August or September 1780 Captain Wallace raised a company of mounted riflemen in Sullivan County (now East Tennessee) and marched to King's Mountain and was in that battle which occurred October the 7th 1780. This campaign was for three months during which Captain Wallace was as above stated. In July 1781 Captain Wallace raised another company of mounted riflemen of which he was elected Captain and served as such for six months. This company he raised in Sullivan County then he marched to join General Green at the High Hills of Santee in South Carolina and afterwards as he informed me joined General Marion. In the two last mentioned campaigns he was under the command of Colonel Isaac Shelby. I heard of his being in no important engagement during the last mentioned campaign.

This declarant further states that she was married to the said Thomas Wallace on the 13th day of May 1770 of which said marriage she has no record evidence: that her husband the aforesaid Thomas Wallace died on the 28th day of April 1830 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period. Captain Wallace during his lifetime had documentary evidence of the above services, but they were lost or mislaid and further deponent saith not.

S/ Rebecca Wallace, X her mark

Pension Agency Huntsville Alabama March 31st 1854

Received of William H. Moore, Agent for paying Pensions, \$1024.76 being for nine years and six months pension due to Joel Wallace as administrator of Rebecca Wallace deceased from the 4th day of March 1831 to the 4th day of September 1844 which I have signed duplicate receipts.

S/ Thomas Wallace, Administrator

Department of the Interior: claim for Military Service

I certify that, in conformity with the law of the United States of the 4th of July 1836, Rebecca Wallace, deceased: widow of Thomas Wallace who was a Captain of Rifles and a private in the Revolution was entitled to a pension and having died on the 4th September 1840, Joel Wallace, Thomas Wallace and William Wallace, her only surviving children are entitled to the amount at the rate of \$107.87 per annum from 4 March 1831 to 4 September 1840 when she died: payable to Joel Wallace Administrator for the benefit of the surviving children. Given at the Department of the Interior this 4th day of November 1853

S/R. McClelland, Secretary of the Interior

Morgan County Alabama

Miss Narcissus P. Wallace aged 28 years and Mrs. Mary Jane Wallace aged 21 years both of said County being sworn saith that Joel Wallace son of Thomas and Rebecca Wallace deceased died in said County on the 17th day of December 1853 aged nearly 83 years (we believe) and he was the Joel Wallace mentioned in the foregoing and above described pension certificate. And we are disinterested witnesses. Witness our hands this 9th Day of March 1854

S/ Narcissus P. Wallace S/ M J Wallace

[the following family record appears in this file without specific indication of the relationship of the people named to the veteran and/or his widow]

Thomas Wallace born March __, 17__[record torn]

Susanny Wallace born July 2, 1776

__ bert Wallace born __mber 9, 1794

James Wallace born February 11 1797

Rebecah Wallace born March 2, 1800

Lesebeth Wallace born November 16, 1801

Sarah Wallace born __ember 9 1805

Abrahaham Wallace born May 24, 1807

Thomas Wallace born September 25, 1809

Abigail Wallace born April 29, 1811

William Ayrs Wallace born September 6, 1813 Suzan Wallace born February 9, 1816

Fielding Wallace born August 3, 1811

Augustus Wallace born March 3, 1801

Charles Wallace born April 15, 1804

Jean Ashly born May 8, 1811

[fn p. 51] State of Alabama Bibb County

Before me J. C. D. Trott a Justice of the peace for said County personally appeared John Wallace¹ a revolutionary soldier who after being sworn according to law states on oath that he the said John Wallace knew Captain Thomas Wallace seventy years past until his death which I believe was about seven or eight years ago and have lived near him till the last eighteen years past I have lived some over one hundred miles but have frequently seen him I visited his widow three years ago in Morgan County where he died in Morgan County Alabama I saw all the said Captain Wallace married to his wife Rebecca who is now his widow -- Captain Wallace and myself both lived in the County of Sullivan State of Tennessee then North Carolina in the year 1780 in that year the Militia was called for in our County five companies out of thirteen Captain Thomas Wallace was not called for as an officer he volunteered and went as a soldier he took the line of march first of the month of October of the year above mentioned and as well as I can remember he was out about three months and was in my mess till he went home I was with him in the battle of King's Mountain said Captain Thomas Wallace in the year 1781 about the month of July or August marched at the head of a company as Captain under the command of Colonel Isaac Shelby from Sullivan County as above to South Carolina and joined General Marion and was in the service I believe about 6 months said Captain Wallace was a mounted rifleman on both the above named Campaigns the services was done in the States of North Carolina & South Carolina this deponent further saith not.

S/ J. Wallace

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 4 day of February 1839 I do certify that this deponent is a man of truth and worthy of Credit given under my hand and seal

S/ John C. D. Trott, JP

State of Alabama Lawrence County: to wit

Before me Joseph Pickens a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, this day personally appeared Samuel McGaughy² a soldier of the revolution, who after being sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he was acquainted with Captain Thomas Wallace of the revolution. Sometime in the month of July 1781 Captain Thomas Wallace and myself raised a company of mounted riflemen, he was elected Captain and myself second Lieutenant of the same we marched from Sullivan County of the State of North Carolina and joined General Greene at the high hills of Santee in the State of South Carolina from this point we crossed the Santee River and joined General Marion in the swamps of the River Santee a distance from General Greene of about 25 or 30 miles. This term of service lasted for 6 months. We belonged to the command of Colonel Isaac Shelby. No importer battles were fought during this campaign nothing more than some skirmishes took place at one of which a hostile was taken near Moncks Corner on the Santee River. Witness further declarant that he thinks as well as he now remembers in the year 1778 he first became acquainted with Captain Thomas Wallace & his wife Rebecca Wallace that they were then man and wife that their marriage he did not know anything personally about but he is informed and believes it took place the 13th day of May 1770 and continued to live as man and wife until the 28th of April 1830 at which time the said Thomas Wallace died and that said Rebecca Wallace has not married since the death of her husband and is now the widow of the same Captain Thomas Wallace. The witness further deposeth that he himself was at the Battle of Kings Mountain that he did not see Captain Wallace there but from circumstance and evidence that came to deponent's knowledge he believes Captain Wallace was

² Samuel McGaughy (McGaughey) W9981

¹ John Wallace S32572

there present and belonged to the command of Colonel Isaac Shelby. And further this deponent saith not

S/ Saml. McGaughy

[Widow was pensioned at the rate of \$107.87 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 in being September 4th 1840 [last digit unclear] when the widow died.]