Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Waugh W9873 Elizabeth fn77VA
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[fn p. 8]

State of Virginia County of Orange: On this 22nd day of July in the year 1852 Alex Waugh the Administrator de bonis non of Elizabeth Waugh a resident of Orange County State of Virginia, Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Waugh deceased widow of George Waugh who was an officer in the War of the Revolution who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 9th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows: That he is the administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Walker widow of George Waugh who was a Captain of militia in the War of the Revolution in the Regiment not known commanded by not known nor can't be ascertained due to lapse of time the old persons being all dead. That the said George Waugh entered the Army as he has often told me as a volunteer to capture Governor Dunmore, and marched to Williamsburg the date not recollected nor can't be ascertained and to the best of his knowledge & belief continued therein throughout the whole war. That the said George Waugh started from Old Orange Courthouse in the State of Virginia as Captain of a militia company & went with his company to the siege of Yorktown & was present at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis, and that the said Waugh was at the Albemarle Barracks guarding the British & Hessian prisoners taken by General Washington at the battle of Trenton, but in what capacity I do not know nor am I able to state the particulars of any further service on the part of said Waugh only that the said Waugh has often told me that he was under the command of some General in the southern Army.

He further declares that the said Elizabeth Waugh widow of the said George Waugh was married on or about 17th of March 1793 and that George Waugh husband of the said Elizabeth Waugh died on the 29th day of December 1814 leaving a widow the said Elizabeth Waugh who also died on the 17th day of November 1840 leaving several children. That the said Elizabeth was not married to the said George prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz. at the time above stated. And he furthermore makes this declaration in order to obtain the amount of pension which maybe do the said Elizabeth Waugh in right of her husband the said George Waugh by virtue of an act of Congress passed on the 5th day of July 1832.

S/ Alex Waugh

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And a quarterly court held for the County of Orange at the Courthouse on Monday the 24th of May 1852.

On the motion of Alexander Waugh who made oath according to law and together with George A. Sleet his security, entered into and acknowledged a bond which is ordered to be received, in the penalty of \$2400, conditioned as the law directs – certificate is granted him for obtaining letters of administration upon the estate of George Waugh deceased, under administrator by his former administrator, George Waugh deceased in due form.

Ordered that it be certified that it was this day proved to the satisfaction of the court, that George Walden was an officer of the Revolutionary war, died in the County of Orange on the 29th day of December 1814, leaving a widow, Elizabeth Waugh, who also died in the said County on the 17th of November 1840 – That the said George Waugh left at the time of his death, the following children him surviving, to wit, Frances Brooking, Mildred Newman, Gowny Waugh, Nancy Teal, Sarah Wharton, George Waugh, Alexander Waugh and Elizabeth Newman, all of whom are now living except Francis Brooking and George Waugh – the last of them died in the State of Kentucky leaving children whose names are unknown.

In testimony that the foregoing orders of Court are truly copied from the records and proceedings of the County Court of Orange County, I Philip S Fry clerk of the said court have hereto put my name and affixed the seal of the said Court this 14th day of June 1852 in the 76th year of the Commonwealth.

S/ Philip S Fry, clerk

[fn p. 4: certificate by the Orange County Virginia clerk of court saying that a license dated March 19, 1793 was issued for the marriage of George Waugh to Elizabeth Boston.]

[fn p. 15: copy of a record from Orange County dated Thursday the 23rd of October 1777 in which James Hawkins is appointed first Lieutenant and George Waugh 2nd Lieutenant in Captain Moore's company. Also, at a court held in Orange County on Thursday 27 of November 1777 James Hawkins, George Stubblefield as first Lieutenant, George Waugh, Robert Johnson and William Smith as 2nd lieutenants took the host prescribed by law; also at a court in Orange County on Thursday the 25th of March 1779 James Hawkins Captain, Abner Porter Lieutenant, Charles Porter Junior Lieutenant, Richard Price do, George Waugh Lieutenant, Reuben Moore co, Caleb Sisson Ensign and William Jamieson do, nominated for commissions for the militia. Also at a court held for Orange County on Thursday the 25th of May 1780 George Waugh appointed Captain in the room of Francis Moore, Junior.]

[fn p. 48: On ??, James Newman, 95, of Orange County Virginia gave testimony that he lived a near neighbor of George Waugh and was well acquainted with him; he knows that George Waugh was a Captain in the Revolution had command of a company during the war; that Captain Waugh and Captain Moses Hawkins took their respective companies from Orange old Court House and marched North and were in the battle of Brandywine where Captain Hawkins was killed in the first of the engagement and that Captain Waugh was in command of a company at the siege of York.]

[fn p. 59: James Jiles, 93 gave testimony on October 9th, 1849 that he first served at the barracks in the County of Albemarle, Virginia guarding the British & Hessian prisoners taken at the battle

of Trenton and sent to the barracks for safekeeping; that he remained there as a guard for 2 years; that shortly after his return home to Orange County, he left in the militia for Richmond in a company commanded by George Waugh in which company he remained only 3 or 4 days when he was separated and went to Marlban Hills [Malvern Hills] about 18 miles below Richmond; "...he further states that he remembers well a dispute between Captain George Waugh and one ___ Hawkins about the captaincy, which was decided after they reached Richmond by Captain Waugh's remaining as Captain and Mr. Hawkins returning home. He further says that he was the only man in Captain Waugh's Company who was taken out to go to Marlban hills, and that Captain Waugh remained in Richmond with his company. He says that there was one Frazer in the company of Captain Waugh, he thinks his name was David Frazer. He says that after his separation from the Company in Richmond he saw no more of the main Army, left in Richmond, and no more of Captain Waugh and his company...."

[Veteran's widow's heirs were pensioned at the rate of \$146.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836 and ending November 17 1840, for the services of her husband as a Lieutenant & Captain in the Virginia service.]