Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Virginia Pension Claim of John Belcher VAS1206 Mary Belcher Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

[From <u>Revolutionary pension records in the Library of Virginia</u>. Some of the online images are fragmented and partly illegible.]

Amelia County September Court 1786

It appearing to the court that John Belcher a Soldier under Colo. Heath [sic: William Heth] in the Continental Service died in Charles Town [Charleston SC, surrendered 12 May 1780] while a prisoner in the year 1780 and that his widow Mary Belcher together with five children are now living in this County in indigent circumstances having neither Lands nor Slaves. It is ordered that the same be certified to the Executive A Copy/ Test/ Jno Holmes D.C

I do with the advice of the Council hereby Certify that Mary Belcher widow of John Belcher, who was a private in the detachment of the Virginia Line commanded by Colo. Heth and died in the service of the United States, Is entitled to the sum of Twelve Pounds yearly, to commence from the first day of January 1787.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this 13th day of January 1787

T. Meriwether

Edm. Randolph

NOTE: The last dated document in the file is dated 15 Oct 1790.