Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Hamilton VAS1366 Catharine Hamilton vsl 19VA Transcribed by Will Graves 2/5/14

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[From pension records in the Library of Virginia]

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I do with the advice of the Council hereby certify that Catharine Hamilton widow of David Hamilton who was a private in Grayson's Regiment and died in the service of the United States is entitled to the sum of Eight Pounds yearly which allowance is to commence from the first day of January 1787.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this 15th day of November 1787

S/T. Meriwether

S/Edm. Randolph

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At a Court continued and held for Loudoun County April the 10th 1787

Ordered that it be Certified to his Excellency Edmond Randolph Esquire That Catharine Hamilton Widow & Relict of David Hamilton a Soldier under Captain Francis Willis of Colonel William Grayson's Regiment (who was killed at Brandywine [September 11, 1777] in 1777) is a proper person in the opinion of this Court to be placed on the pension list. A Copy

Teste S/ Charles Binns, C. L. C.

[Transcriber's Note: The papers in this file indicate that the pension was paid to the widow through 1790. Most of the documents in this file were copied as split and partial images making it impossible to transcribe many of them. What I think can be gleaned from several of the documents is that the widow had grown children who were not a source of support for her. I did not see any names of the children.]