Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Parret [Parrett] VAS137 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

State of Ohio Ross County SS

Personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Huntington and County aforesaid, Christopher Young of the County and Township aforesaid who after being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was personally acquainted with George Parratt [sic] who enlisted in the same Company with him (the said Christopher Young) as a Sergeant in Captain Jonathan Clark's Company and in the eighth Regiment and commanded by Colonel Muhlenberg in A.D. 1776 in the Revolutionary war in the Virginia Continental Line and further this deponent states that the said George Parratt died in the service and that he the above named deponent was personally acquainted with the same and further this deponent sayeth not.

S/W. Miller

S/ Christopher Young, X his mark

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 6th day of February A.D. 1839

S/ Benjamin S Wentworth, JP

State of Ohio Fayette County SS

Personally came before me the undersigned an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Philip Fent [sic, Philip Fint]¹ a revolutionary Soldier and was sworn in due form of law to certify the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth and says that he believes that George Parrott [sic] died in the Army of the revolution belonging to the 8th Virginia Regiment and [further] deponent sayeth not.

S/ Phillip Fent, X his mark

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal this 24th day of November 1838 S/ Joseph Bell, JP

To the Governor and Council of Virginia

Your Petitioners Joseph Parret & Frederick Parret respectfully represents, that the said Joseph Parret & Frederick Parret is legal heirs of George Parret Deceased and the said Joseph Parret, says, that the said George Parret and himself enlisted him Shenandoah County in Virginia in the year A.D. 1776 entered the service on the 22nd day of March in the same year, the said George Parret enlisted as a Sergeant in Captain Johnatha Clarke [Jonathan Clark's?] Company in the 8th Regiment and commanded by Colonel Muhlenberg in the Revolutionary war in the Virginia Continental line, and he the said George Parret served as a Sergeant until a place came vacant for an Ensign, and by seniority he rose and took the place and served as an Ensign until he died, and further he saith not, and the said

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¹ FPA S42718

² This is PROBABLY the same man as **Joseph Parret (Parrott) W4108**

Frederick Parret saith that he knew to his own personal knowledge that the said George Parret Enlisted in the service of the revolutionary war in the Virginia Continental line, and never returned and further he saith not.

S/ Joseph Parret

S/ Frederick Parret

Personally appeared before me Joseph A. Morton a Justice of the peace within and for the County aforesaid the above named Joseph Parret and Frederick Parret, who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that the above statements are true, and further the deponent saith that they are the true and lawful heirs of the said George Parret Deceased.

Given under my hand & seal this 20th day of February A.D. 1839

S/ Joseph A. Morton, JP

Your petitioners humbly prays therefore, that the same amount of lands may be allowed them that has been granted to others for similar services.

In this case it does not appear from the testimony for what period the soldier Parrott enlisted – Him for less than three years in his heirs would not be entitled to bounty land – The statement of one of his brothers, who represents himself to be one of the heirs, that George Parrott rose to the rank of ensign without any other evidence of the fact, is too uncertain to justify the allowance of bounty land for service as an officer – Parrotts name not appearing on any role either as a soldier or officer.