Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Michael Hargrave (Hargrove) VAS1396 Ann Hargrave vsl 78VA

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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 Ann Hargrave, widow of Michael Hargrave, who was a private in the Fourth Virginia Regiment and died in the Service of the United States, Is entitled to the Sum of Six pounds yearly: which allowance is to commence from the first day of January 1786

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this 5th day of December 1786

[there is no signature]

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Southampton County [Virginia]

This may certify that Ann Hargrove [sic] widow of Mial Hargrove [sic] deceased is an inhabitant of this County and that she is in possession of a small House & a few acres of Land, it is said by her neighbors she is very poor, She has no child living with her but his able to work for a Livelihood.

Given under our hands this 13th day of November 1786

S/ Benj. Blunt

S/ Geo. Gurley

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At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 14th day of August 17 88 –

Ann Hargrave a pensioner (the widow of Michael Hargrave a Continental Soldier in the 4th Virginia Regiment who died in the service of the United States) producing the Governor's certificate for 6 pounds & proving her identity & that her circumstances are not altered since the last year it is ordered that the Sheriff of this County pay the said Ann Hargrave the said sum of 6 pounds for her pension &c.

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S/ Sam. Kellow

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S/ Ann Hargroves

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[Note: The balance of the papers in this file reflect the annual renewal, authorization, disbursement and receipt of the pension of 6 pounds through and until the year 1813 when presumably the widow died. At that time the 6 pounds appears to equate to \$20 as that figure is written on several of the later documents in this file. The widow's name varies from Hargrave, Hargrove, Hargraves, Hargroves. Likewise, some of the documents indicate that the widow signed the receipts with her signature (which also varies in spelling of her surname) and sometimes she signed with her mark.]