Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ignatius Howard VAS1621 Sarah Howard vsl 7

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[From pension records in the Library of Virginia]

I do with the advice of the Council hereby Certify that Sarah Howard, widow of Ignatius Howard who was a private in Captain Arbuckle's Company 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 1786.

Given under my hand at Richmond this 15th day of November 1783 S/ P. Henry [Patrick Henry, the Governor of Virginia]

At a Court Held for Greenbrier County ye 15th of August 1786

Ordered that Sarah Howard (widow of Ignatius Howard, a soldier in Captain Matthew Arbuckle's Company on state service who died with the smallpox in the year 1777) with her three children be recommended as pensioners in need of the assistance of Government and that the former allowance made her ought to be continued.

A copy Teste: John Stuart, C.

This Pension is within the Prohibitory [?] Order of Council S/ J. Pendleton

Continued with 12 £/ annum Order

A. Blair Sarah Howard

The within mentioned widow Howard is a Neighbor, I expect about sixty years of age & was left when her Husband died in the service with three Children which she had to raise without any Estate but her own Industry & the Charity of her neighbors, the oldest of her Children was a son who has now left her – she is now very frail and has nothing to support her and her two Little daughters but is totally dependent on what the Girls get by their labour.

Richmond November the 15th 1786 S/ Jas. Harrison [??]

Jan Honorfore

16th of August 1785 Received of Basil Bennet [??] forty pounds the amount of the within order.

S/ Mary Howard, X her Mark
At a Court held for Greenbrier County the 26th day of May 1790 Mary Howard made sufficient proof to the Court that she is the lawful Heir of Sarah Howard Deceased who was the widow of Ignatius Howard

S/ John Stuart, Clerk