Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Virginia Pension Claim of Martin Griffin VAS1709

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[From Revolutionary pension records in the Library of Virginia.]

At a Court held for the County of Shanandoah on Thursday the 29th day of June 1786

Ordered that it be Certified that it appears to this Court that Martin Griffin was a Soldier in the twilveth Virginia Redgment Command by Colo Abraham Buford and that he received a wound at Guilford Courthouse in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty one [15 Mar 1781] that he is an Inhabitent of the County and forty six years of age – Ordered that Doct'r George Keller examine his wounds and make report thereof to his Excellency the Govenor and Council

Test John Williams Cl.S.C.

I am of the opinion That the within Named Martin Griffin is rendered inable by his wound Received in his Right arm by a Muskett ball near his Elbow and another 1 on the same arm about his rist who is useless and bent Downward & by another shot Certified under my hand this 28th day of Sept'r. 1786 [signed] George Kelley

Please to pay the within mentioned pension unto Colo Abram Bird for my use Witness my hand this 29th day of September 1786

Martin his Xmark Griffin

Shenandoah County to wit:

On the above Date the abovenamed Martin Griffin give sign & acknowledged the above before me Alexander Hite a Justice of the peace for the said County of Shenandoah Certified under my hand the above Date.

Alexander Hite

I DO, with the advice of the Council, hereby certify, that Martin Griffin, of 46 years of age late a Soldier in the twelfth Virginia Regiment appears to have been disabled in such a manner while in the service of the United States as to entitle him to the sum of fifteen pounds yearly; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786.

Given under my Hand, as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, at Richmond, this fifth day of January 1787.

T. Meriwether

[signed] Edm. Randolph

[Parts of the online image are missing at places marked *.]

At a Court held for the County of Shanandoah on Thursday the [*] of February 1788 Martin Griffin having produced a Certificat[*]der the hand of Edmund Randolph Esq'r. Governor of Virginia dated [*] day of January, One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven for fift[*] as a pensioner who made oath to the same according to Law Ordere[*] the Sheriff pay the said Martin Griffin the said sum of fifteen pounds a [*] the year One thousand seven hundred & eighty seven and take a rec[*] order for the same agreeable to an Act of Assembly in that case mad[*]ovided

Test John Wi[*] Cl.S.C.

At a Court held for the County of Shenandoah on Thursday the Twenty sixth day of February One Thousand seven hundred and eighty nine

Ordered that it be Certified to his Excellency the Governor and the Honorable the Council that Martin Griffin is a resident of this County, and Doctor Absalom Bainbridge do examine his wounds and make report to His Excellency Govenor and the Honorable the Council

Test John Williams Cl.S.C.

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In persuance of the within order I have examined Mar[*] Griffin & find him wound in the breast, & arm, the w[*] in his arm has deprived him intirely of the use of i[*] acquiring a livelyhood; given under my hand this [*] of April 1789. [signed] A Bainbridge

At a Court Continued and held for the County of Shanandoah the Twenty eighth day of August One
Thousand seven hundred and eighty Nine
On the motion of Martin Griffin Ordered that the Sheriff
pay him fifteen pounds for his Pension due him the said Martin Griffin for the year One Thousand seven
hundred and eighty eight out of the Revenue for the said year one Thousand seven hundred and eighty
eight
Test Philip Williams Cl.S.C

Rec'd. this 28th of September 1789 of Mr John Taylor D.S. fifteen Pounds in full for the within Pension Given from under my hand the day above mention'd Martin Griffin