Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Nevils R7606 Sarah f34VA
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State of Tennessee County of Maury: SS

On this 21st day of February A.D. 1843 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace Mrs. Sarah Nevils a Resident of Tennessee in the County of Maury aged 77 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows that she is the widow of George Nevils who was a Militia Soldier in the Revolution war and that he served in different towers [tours] upwards of twelve Months as a militia man and then he enlisted as a Regular in the Continental line under Captain Brunt which he continued during the Revolution War acting in the capacity of first Sergeant at least two years or more that he resided in Charlotte County State of Virginia when he entered the service that he marched from Charlotte County Virginia to Portsmouth Virginia where he was stationed for the winter and in the spring he marched to Charlestown [Charleston] South Carolina and was at Bueford defeat [Buford's Defeat, or the Battle of Waxhaws, May 29, 1780] besides other engagements not recollected now. She further declares that she was married to the said George Nevils in Charlotte County State of Virginia on the 25th of July 1785 that her husband the aforesaid George Nevils died on the 19th day of February 1817 that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the Marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz. at the time above stated –

That she has no record of her Marriage either Church or Parish and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by Reference to the proof hereto annexed.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before me S/ Greenville Hanks, JP

S/ Sarah Nevils

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State of Tennessee Hickman County: On this the 27 day of February 1843 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the County of Hickman and State aforesaid Mr. George Foster¹ age eighty-one years doth certify that he knew Mrs. Sarah Nevils who hath subscribed to the within declaration and Georgia Nevils deceased her Husband ever since he had any recollection at least seventy-two years since that he knew them before they were married and after they were married in Charlotte County State of Virginia and that he has no hesitation in

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¹ FPA R3685

saying that they were lawfully married that the legality of the marriage of Georgia Nevils and now his widow Sarah Nevils never has been disputed in Virginia or Tennessee and he further certifies that Georgia Nevils was a regular soldier in the Continental line at least 2 or more years acting as first Sergeant part or during his Service in the Revolution war. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year both within written before me.

S/ John B. Grey, JP

S/George Foster

George Foster

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 11th day of June 1784, in the name of George Nevills, as a Soldier of Infantry for £34.10.4, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Colo. Glenn and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 13th day of January 1844.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR