Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Musgrove S40190 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Virginia, to wit,

At a court held at the Courthouse for the County of Loudoun before the Justices of the said County Court on the 8^{th} day of March 1819

Ordered that it be certified to the Office of the Secretary of the Department of War that this Court is satisfied by the testimony of sundry witnesses that William Musgrove who it appears from the Certificate of Uriah Springer late a Captain in the thirteenth Virginia Regiment in the Revolutionary War and sworn to before James Finley & under the Certificate & Seal of John St. Clair Prothonotary of Fayette County State of Pennsylvania was a soldier in Captain Silas Zanes Company of said Regiment and it further appears to the oath of Amos Hervey & the said William Musgrove that said William Musgrove is a resident of the County of Loudoun & Commonwealth of Virginia and desires to obtain the benefit of the Act entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land & Naval Services of the United States in the Revolutionary War, and that the said William Musgrove is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the aid of his Country for support

Teste: S/ J. Buins, CSC

Fayette County Pennsylvania SS

Before me one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for said County, came Captain Uriah Springer¹ who on his solemn oath deposeth and saith that he was personally and well acquainted with William Musgrove who served as a soldier in Captain Silas Zane's Company of the 13th Virginia Regiment in the revolution war and that he served 3 years in said Regiment as a good and faithful soldier and that he was honorably discharged at Fort Pitt in April 1780 having served the full term for which he was enlisted.

S/ Uriah Springer

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Sworn and subscribed before me the 22nd day of February 1819 witness my hand and seal

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¹ Uriah Springer R10017

District and State of Virginia Frederick County Sct

On this 12th of November 1819, before me, the subscriber sole and presiding Judge of the Superior Courts of law for the Counties of Frederick and Loudoun in said district and State personally appeared William Musgrove aged fifty-nine years resident in the aforesaid County of Loudoun in the said district, and state who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" That he, the said William Musgrove enlisted for the term of 3 years sometime in the month of January in the year 1777 in Winchester in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Silas Zeane [sic] of the brigade commanded by Colonel John Gibson in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States until the 18th day of April 1780 when he was discharged from the service in Pittsburgh in the state of Pennsylvania that he was in the battles of Germantown [October 4, 1777] and at the Siege of Fort Lawrence [Fort Laurens, was besieged by the Wyandotte Indians in late 1778 and early 1779] on the Tuscarawas River and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except those annexed to this Declaration.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Robert White

District of Virginia Loudoun County to wit

On this 19th day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record made so by the legislature and keeps a record of its proceedings for the said County of Loudoun William Musgrove aged sixty years resident in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, In the 13th Regiment, in Captain Silas Zane's company and Virginia line, his original declaration dated the 12th of November 1819. The number of his pension certificate is 16,278. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. I am a laborer but being a cripple am unable to pursue that occupation so as to maintain myself thereby. I have a Wife and two Children, my wife's name is Abigail, one of my said children is named Sydney the other Ephraim my wife is fifty-four years of age, Sydney is twelve years of age a (daughter) Ephraim is ten years of age. The said children as yet can do but little towards contributing to their support. I enlisted on the day of January 1777 and was discharged on the 18th of April 1780 – The schedule of the property of William Musgrove of Loudoun County in Virginia To 1 milch cow \$15 –five old split bottom chairs \$2 – 1 Gallon Iron pot 50¢, 1 Gallon bucket 50¢, 1 old small chest \$2, 6 delph plates 40¢, 1 old chopping ax one dollar – 6 cups & saucers 30¢, one coffee pot – one wier sifter one dollar, 3 old

tubs 50ϕ , one old hoe 25ϕ , one old wooling wheel \$1.50, one small pewter dish one dollar. S/Wm Musgrove²

[p 17: On August 5, 1826 in Belmont County Ohio, the veteran applied for the transfer of his pension benefit to the Ohio agency giving as his reason for removing to Ohio to "benefit the prospects of his children." His application was supported by an affidavit of Samuel Musgrove also given in August 1826 in Belmont County. His relationship, if any, to the veteran is not stated

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 4th, 1819, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

 $^{^{2}}$ Signature in the same handwriting as the balance of the document – therefore unlikely to be the actual signature of the veteran