Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Leonard Marbury W27446
Transcribed by Will Graves

Ann Marbury f46GA 6/7/09: rev'd 6/4/16

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I certify that Leonard Marbury and Ann Somerville were married at Augusta in Georgia according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, on the second Day of February 1780.

S/ James Seymour, Clerk [?]

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State of Louisiana Parish of East Feliciana

On this 15th day of January in the year while Lord 1839 before me Lafayette Saunders Judge of the court of probate for the parish aforesaid one Ann Marbury a resident of the town of Jackson in said parish aged seventy-nine 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 17, 1838, entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows" That she is the widow of Leonard Marbury who served as a Captain, Major and finally as a Lieutenant Colonel Commandant of light dragoons in the Continental Service that his Regiment was raised & principally stationed in the State of Georgia, the only service she recollects hearing of his being engaged in, was in destroying the Indian towns of Estatowie, Tugalow [sic, Tugaloo] and some other not recollected -- at the siege of Savannah, the Term of enlistment of his Regiment being expired he served as a volunteer aid to General Howe [Robert Howe, commander of the Southern division of the Continental Army] -- when Savannah was attempted to be retaken, he was also there, but whether in command of a Regiment I cannot say. I was married in the State of Georgia to the said Leonard Marbury on the second day of February in the year 1780 and Leonard Marbury her husband the aforesaid died on the twenty second day of September in the year 1796 and that he was not in active service after their marriage -- soon after marriage, they removed to the State of Maryland and there remained until peace took place and does not know if her said husband considered himself in service after their marriage. Sworn and subscribed the day and [year] before written.

S/ Ann Marbury

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S/ L. Saunders, Parish Judge

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Jackson January 12, 1839

Dr Sir

I wrote you a few days since stating what proof we could send in order to obtain a pension for my mother, I have since found a letter from General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], then in command at the South to my father, and have concluded that it will be better to send what we have while you are in Washington that we may have the benefit of your aid. I accordingly send enclosed in this General L's letter and the certificate of my mother's marriage, and in an accompanying packet, the Diploma constituting him a member of the Cincinnati -- you will also in a few days receive my mother's testimony as required, which is sent for the Governor's Testimonial. Also Mr James Carpenter's evidence of having seen the commission and my own as to having had in my possession a receipt of the Auditor for the monies received by my father and for recruiting and paid to him, as it depreciated too much to be of use. You will much oblige if nothing can be done to bring the papers back to Louisiana with you, and if her claim should be substantiated, we would like to have the diploma as I presume it would not be wanted there. Yours with respect & esteem

S/W Marbury

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[p 42] Col. Leo^{'d} Marbury Augusta

Head Quarters Purysburg Jan^y 29 1779

Sir

The plan you enclosed of enlisting volunteer horse is wise & judicious, especially at this time when the State of our military chest forbids our purchasing. -- Your Major hath received four thousand Dollars to pay for saddles at Charles Town & I have ordered him to call on Colonel Drayton the Quarter Master General for aid if he should need it. -- The demand for the little money which we have for articles absolutely necessary to keeping an Army in the field, prevents my sending the sum you request. I would not have you purchase more horses than you can pay for with the money you have received. -- I am sorry that I have it not in my power to raise the horse, for I think they are much needed. -- I hope this State will send o[? part of this word is missing as a result of a tear in the paper, I think the word might be "over"] some.

I am Sir your humble

Servant

S/B. Lincoln

To Col. Marbury

[p 45 is a daily listing of the pay due Larkin Rogers at the rate of \$6 2/3 per month from February 1, 1777 to February 1, 1779

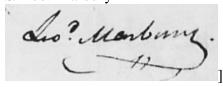
"I Certify that Larkin Rogers was a Soldier & [illegibly faint word or words] entitled to his Pay.

S/ John Cooper pay master

March 1, 1788"

John Cooper fray moster

"I do Certify that Larkin Rogers was a Soldier in the Regiment under my Command S/ Leo^d Marbury"



[p 21] State of Mississippi Pike County

Before me Jesse Brumfield one of the members of the Board of County Police of the County aforesaid and duly authorized by law to take evidence administer oaths &c appeared Mr. Michael Jones² also of said County who being duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith, that he was well acquainted with Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Leonard Marbury during the Revolutionary War, and that the said Marbury served as Colonel aforesaid during the years 1777, 78 & 79, he also says he is and has been long acquainted with Mrs. Ann Marbury the present applicant for a pension, and that she is the widow of the said Leonard Marbury, in witness whereof the said Michael Jones has hereunto set his name this 20th day of April 1839.

S/ Michael Jones

[Facts in file: Veteran and his wife had at least two children, sons, Leonard L. and William Marbury.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$600 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband service for 2 years as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Georgia Continental line.]

² Will Graves did not find an application among the federal pension files for a veteran named "Michael Jones" who either fought or lived in the South during the Revolution. There is only one pensioner named "Michael Jones" among the federal applicant, and he claimed service in the NJ Continental line.