Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Patton W4049 Sarah f32VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 9/25/12

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State of Ohio Fayette County: SS

On this 10th day of August 1840 personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the County [of] Fayette in the State of Ohio Sarah Patton a resident of said County of Fayette aged about 74 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1832 "entitled an act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows.["] That she is the widow of George Patton who enlisted in the town of fall must in Stafford County Virginia near the commencement of the war, in the service of the United States in the [year] 1777 or 1778 under Captain William Wallis¹ sometimes called Willie Wallis he was attached as a common Soldier to some Regiment in Virginia. She has often heard him tell and verily believes that he was in the battle of Braydywine [Brandywine September 11, 1777] and various other hard fought actions. That he continued in the service of the United States until the close of the war. He was appointed press Master to impress Horses Cattle & provisions for the American Army. That after peace was made he returned to Stafford County in Virginia and was lawfully married to this affiant (whose name was then Sarah Stringfellow) in the month of December in the year A.D. 1784. That her said husband suffered great bodily affliction which he said was the fact of exposure whilst in the service of the United States and that he died in the year 1813 in the month of October. That she remained in Stafford County until the year 1832 when in the month of October [she] removed to the County of Fayette in the State of Ohio where she at present resides. And she has remained a widow ever since the death of her said husband. That she was not married to him prior to his being in the service but the marriage took place at the time above mentioned.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me S/ Silas Irion, JP

S/ Sarah Patton, X her mark

[f p. 8: Certificate issued by the clerk of the County Court of Stafford County Virginia that George Patton was married to Sarah Stringfellow in Stafford County Virginia December 1784.]

[f p. 9]

Mary Graves aged about 72 years being first sworn deposeth and saith that she was acquainted with George Patton of Stafford County Virginia and that he enlisted in the town of Falmouth Virginia under Captain William B. Wallace sometimes called Willie Wallace in the year 1777 or

¹ The War Department identified this officer as William B. Wallace.

1778 in the 6th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Towles and that she often heard him say that he was in the Battle of Brandywine with her Brother John Stringfellow who was killed in said battle and that he continued in the Army until the close of the War and after the close of the War, he returned to the aforesaid County of Stafford and in December 1784 she was lawfully married to Sarah Stringfellow and continued in the said County until his death which took place in October 1813 and that she was with him when on his deathbed and that he was much afflicted in body with affliction, She often heard him say he contracted in the Army, and that his widow Sarah Patton continued to live in the aforesaid County of Stafford until October 1832 when she removed to Fayette County State of Ohio and has continued the widow of the aforesaid George Patton to the present time.

S/ Mary Graves, X her mark

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$90 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband's service in the Virginia service.]