Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Arthur Moseley¹ W7481 Transcribed by Will Graves

Sally Moseley

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Buckingham County Virginia to wit

On this 26th day of January 1846 personally appeared before me one of the Commonwealth's Justices, Sally Moseley a resident of this County, in the Seventy Fifth year of her age; 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 the 7th of July 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows:" That she is the widow of Arthur Moseley; who was a soldier of the revolution, and she has no documentary evidence to support her claim – That he was a soldier of the revolution in the capacity of Sergeant, she verily believes from his oft repeated declarations, and as will more fully appear by the depositions here with filed – of her own knowledge she knows nothing, but her deceased husband has often told her that he performed several tours of duty during the war of the Revolution: and amongst them, she has a distinct recollection of the one referred to in the deposition of John Patteson at Guilford, and that he was in that battle [March 15, 1781]; and also to the one referred to in the depositions of David Patteson & Charles Howel, at York Town, in the capacity of orderly Sergeant; and that he was at the capitulation of Cornwallis on the 19th of October 1781 – and being then unmarried & without a family, he was deputed to guard the prisoners to Winchester, and that he did so, and did not reach his home in this County until Christmas Eve.

She further declares that she was married to the said Arthur Moseley in the month of December 1788 and that her husband the aforesaid A. Moseley died on the 31st day of August 1829 – and that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, at the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794 viz. at the time above stated.

S/Sally Moseley

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[p 12: On January 26, 1846 in Buckingham County Virginia, Judith Courtney, 73, gave testimony that she is the sister of Arthur Moseley; that she remembers his marriage with Sally Perkins which took place in 1788; that she, the affiant, was married in October 1792 and her brother had been married some 3 or 4 years to her marriage.

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The deposition of David Patteson taken at his own house in the County of Buckingham State of Virginia, who is in his eighty eighth year, who being first duly sworn deposeth and saith: That he well remembers that in the month of September 1781, for companies were called from this the County of Buckingham to go to York Town – That in one of these companies Captain John Moseley he well remembers that Arthur Moseley was orderly Sergeant with others marched from this County and arrived at York Town about the 17th of September, and remained there until after the surrender of Cornwallis. That this deponent being a married man returned home; the single or unmarried men went with the prisoners to Winchester. This deponent always understood and believes that the said Arthur Moseley was one of those who went with the prisoners to Winchester and returned with Charles Patteson this deponent's brother who is now dead. This deponent was always well acquainted with the said Arthur Moseley – to the time of his death, which happened in August 1829. The said Arthur Moseley some 5 or 6 years after the surrender at York Town married Sally Perkins who is now alive and remains the widow of the said Arthur Moseley and resides in the County of Buckingham: and further this deponent saith not.

S/D. Patteson

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The deposition of Charles Howel² taken at his own house in the County of Buckingham Virginia: who being first duly sworn deposeth and saith that he is now in his eighty fifth year: and that he well remembers that in the month of September in the year 1781 three companies were called from the County of Buckingham to go to York Town in one of which this respondent went and then another one of the said companies he well remembers that Arthur Moseley of the County of Buckingham went to and remained at Yorktown until after the surrender on the 19th day of October 1781 – And he has always heard and understood and believes that the said Arthur Moseley went with this prisoners to Winchester though of this, this respondent does not know of his own knowledge – and further this deponent saith not.

S/Cha* Howel

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The deposition of John Patteson (Surveyor) taken at his own house in the County of Buckingham Virginia: who being first duly sworn: Deposeth and saith that he is now in his 83rd year, well and in the discharge of the duties of his Office. That early in the month of February in the year 1781 he the deponent with Arthur Moseley and others marched from this County under Captain Cannon as soldiers of the Revolution, to Guilford Court House North Carolina and was there at an engaged in the battle of Guilford: and remained some time after and returned home. This was always considered an regarded as a 3 months tour; and this deponent has been paid for 3 months services for this tour, during all of which time the said Arthur Moseley was with this deponent. This deponent has an indistinct recollection that the said Arthur Moseley returned (not long before Christmas) with Charles Patteson this deponent's brother from Winchester to which place

² Charles Howel S5561

some of the soldiers of the revolution marched with prisoners from York Town after the surrender their the 19th of October 1781 – That the said author Moseley is now dead and his widow and only wife is now alive and living in this County. And further this deponent saith not, except that they were attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Holcombe which belonged to General Lawson's Brigade of Virginia militia and further this deponent saith not.

S/ John Patteson

[p 9: On July 11, 1855 in Buckingham County Virginia, Sally Moseley, 83, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Arthur Moseley.]

[Facts in file: p 32: in a letter dated September 15, 1846 Doctor William P Moseley is referred to as the son of Sally Moseley

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband service as a private in the Virginia militia.]