

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Thomas Wilkerson VAS1721

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do with the advice of the Council hereby certify, that Sarah Wilkerson widow of Thomas Wilkerson who was a private in the 15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment and died in the Service of the United States is entitled to the sum of Six pounds yearly; which allowance is to commence from the first day wearing 1786.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 1787

T Meriwether

S/ Edm Randolph

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*T. Meriwether* *Edm: Randolph*

[Note: The widow evidently lived in Sussex County Virginia as the annual authorization, appropriation, disbursement and receipt for the pension was administered through the Sussex County court. The papers in the file indicate that the widow continued to receive her pension through October 23, 1809 at which time John Tyler, Governor of the state of Virginia authorized the renew will of the pension.]