Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia document pertaining to David Epperson VAS1767 Judith Epperson Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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At a Court held for Albemarle County the ninth Day of April 1779

Richard Bruce present to Court on Account against the Commonwealth of Virginia for sundry necessaries furnished Judith Epperson Widow of David Epperson deced late a Soldier in the continental service amounting to one hundred & sixty four Pounds ten Shillings to which he made Oath whereupon it

is ordered that the same be certified to the Treasury of Virginia

Copy John Nicholas Clk

To the honourable the Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates

The Petition of Richard Bruce humbly represents that Judith Epperson the widow of David Epperson deceased late a Soldier in the continental service, being in Distress, and your Petitioner touched with Pity and Compassion at her misfortunes, and distressed situation, advanced the s'd. Judith Epperson the sum of one hundred and sixty four Pounds a certificate of which he has obtained from the County Court of Albemarle and to which he refers. Your Petitioner therefore prays that this honourable House would take the Premisses under their Consideration, and reimburse, or give your Petitioner such Relief as is reasonable & just

Rich'd Bruce

December 22^d 1780 Reasonable Allowed £164 agreeable to prayer of Petition

Gentlemen

The Petition of Judith Burch late Widow & Legal representative of David Epperson dec'd. of the Virginia Cont'l line Humbly sheweth. That your Petitioner conceives herself justly entitled to the arrears of pay due from the publick to the dece'd for his services in the Army – but being ignorant of the modes of Obtaining the same has hitherto made no application for the adjustment thereof – your Petitioner now finds herself obliged to apply to your Hon'ble house well knowing that if Justice be found in your Petitioners claim, that your Hon'ble house will not hesitate to redress the widow & orphans of those that died in their Countries cause

Your Petitioner therefore prays that your Hon'ble house will take the premises into your consideration and afford just relief as may be found equitable – and your Petitioner will ever Pray. [signed] Judith Burch Albemarle Sct.

Albemarle Sc. This day George Bruce appeared before me one of the Justices for the said County & being sowrn of Lawfull age saith that he was in the Virginia Continental line & that it was generally reported that David Epperson of Capt Jno Marks's company was dead & he believes he saw the Corps Given under my hand this 20th October 1791.

Bezaliel Brown

Personly Came before me a justice of the peace for the s'd County Gabriel Maupin of lawfull age. Being first sworn. Deposeth and saith that Judith Burch was the lawful wife and is the legal heir & Representative of David Epperson who Inlisted a Soldier under Capt. John Marks to serve in the Virg'a Continal line for three years & further this deponant saith not. Given Under my hand the 24th day of Sept. Bezaliel Brown

Albemarle Sct

Personly came before me William Coleman of lawfull age Being first sworn – deposeth and saith that he inlisted a soldier under Capt John Marks in the Virg'a. ContineItel line for thre years & David Epperson inlisted near the same time under the same Capt & for the same time that I the deponant did. & I the deponant was well acquainted with the said Epperson in my Neighbourhood & also in the service, & I this deponant do know that the said Epperson sicken'd and died in the s'd services at Valley forge in the Month of Oct 1777 and further this Deponant saith not – Given Under my hand this 25th day of Sept. 1792

Bezaliel Brown

10 Oct 1792 to Claims Reasonable Rd.[referred?] Congress