

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Baptiste St. Mary VAS4620
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Declaration of James Andree and Rosette his wife formerly Rosette St Mary daughter and only heir of Baptiste St Mary who was a private in the Illinois Regiment under Col. Clark [George Rogers Clark VAS269] in the Revolutionary War

The undersigned respectfully represents to His Excellency the Governor of Virginia that they are the sole legitimate heirs of Baptiste St Mary now dec'd who was private in the Illinois Regiment under Col. George Rogers Clark when he took possession of Kaskaskia [4 Jul 1778] and reduced the British garrison at Post St Vincent [20 Jul 1778 and 25 Feb 1779] and that he remained in the service many years afterwards as they have every reason to believe from all they have ever learned or understood – that said Rosette is the daughter and only child of said Baptiste and is the wife of said James Andree – that from the year 1779 to the period of his death the said Baptiste resided in Vincennes and although the claimants had some knowledge of bounty land due from Virginia for his long and faithful services it is only of late they were advised of the proper course to obtain it – that they have annexed to this declaration positive evidence of his services and of their heirship and rely upon the justice of the government of Virginia to fulfill her obligations

Subscribed & sworn to before me this sixteenth day of May 1845
James Thorne PJKC [Probate Judge Knox County]

James hisXmark Andree
Rosette herXmark Andree
formerly St Mary

State of Indiana } Sct
Knox County }

Personally appeared before me James Thorne Judge of the Probate Court of said County Gabriel Uno dit Patoon [VAS2249] a creditable witness who being duly sworn upon his oath declares that he is now eighty eight years of age and that he served in the Illinois Regiment under Col Geo. Rogers Clark with the late Baptiste St Mary the father of Rosette Andree mentioned in the foregoing declaration – that said Baptiste was a private in said regiment when Col Clark took possession of Post St. Vincent in the 1779 – that he served in said capacity more than three years afterwards – that Rosette the wife of James Andree is the daughter and only legitimate heir of the said Baptiste St Mary aforesaid – that he knows the said James Andree to be the lawful husband of the said Rosette and with her is entitled to all unsatisfied claims due her father for bounty land or otherwise Gabriel Uno hisXmark dit Patoon

Subscribed & sworn to before me this sixteenth day of May 1845
James Thorne PJKC

State of Indiana } SS.
Knox County }

Personally appeared before me James Thorn Judge of Probate Court for said County Peter Gremore now aged near to seventy six years and Francis Lavelette, aged sixty two years, native born citizens known to me to be creditable who after being duly sworn depose and say that they were born and have always resided near to Vincennes – that they have always heard and believed that the late Baptiste St Mary was a Soldier under Col. Geo. Rogers Clark in the Illinois Regiment during the Revolutionary War – that they personally know Rosette the daughter of said Baptiste St. Mary, now Rosette Andree the wife James Andree both here present to be the legitimate and sole heirs of said Baptiste, and with her husband the said James entitled to claim whatsoever may be justly due for her said father's services

Subscribed & sworn to before me this sixteenth day of May 1845

Peter hisXmark Gremore

James Thorne PJKC

Francis hisXmark Lavellette