

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Archibald Wright W18460 Mary

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State of Virginia, Charlotte County, to wit

On this 8th day of April 1847 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Sarah Moore the only surviving child and daughter of Mary Wright deceased (who was the widow of Archibald Wright, deceased) aged 62 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."

She declares, that she is the only surviving daughter and child of Mary Wright, deceased, late of the County of Cumberland and State of Virginia, who was the widow of Archibald Wright, a private soldier in Captain John Morton's Company, attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, in the War of the Revolution. That her mother the said Mary Wright departed this life on the 11th day of January, 1840.

She further declares that she knows nothing personally in relation to the services of her late Father Archibald Wright, but she has always understood from soldiers that he was in the service and served a long period of time. She therefore relies mainly on the Public Records of the Army, the Roll of Captain John Morton particularly, where his name will appear, and the accompanying Certificates of competence and credible witnesses, for proof of his service and the length of time, he was in actual service. She has understood that he enlisted for two years, and feels no doubt he served the full time with honor and credit to himself and Country. He was also, in the militia service –

She further declares that she always understood from her mother that she married her Father Archibald Wright in Cumberland County on or about the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ 1782; that her father Archibald Wright died on or about the 10th of June, 1810; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794: to wit, about the time above stated – That her mother said Mary Wright, after the death of her husband Archibald Wright, never intermarried but remained a widow to the day of her death.

She further declares that the foregoing Declaration is now made and presented for the purpose of receiving the amount of Pension which her mother would have been entitled to up to her death had she been able to have prosecuted, and eventually succeeded, in the recovery of the same. She the said Sarah Moore being the only surviving child of said Mary Wright – That she is old, poor and infirm, and without a Horse, so that she cannot attend Court – to make this Declaration.

S/ Sarah Moore

# *Sarah Moore*

[f 11: On August 23, 1847 in Appomattox County Virginia, James McDearman, a preacher, gave testimony that at the special request of Mrs. Mary Wright he preached a sermon on August 8, 1839, Mrs. Wright's birthday; that he also preached at her funeral at the house of Mr. Peter LeGrand in Prince Edward County Virginia; that he knew Mrs. Wright for the last 36 years of her life; that he understood she was the widow of Archibald Wright; that she had two children Mr. Archibald Wright and Sarah Wright, wife of William I. Moore; that the son Archibald Wright has been dead many years.]

[The following family record appears in this file:

## Births

Mary Wright, born August 28, 1744  
Archibald Wright born September 13, 1754  
Polly Watson, born March 14, 1774 or 1776  
William Price born May 3, 1776  
Sarah Wright, born October 30, 1784  
Archibald Wright, born May 9, 1789  
Mary Archer Moore, daughter of William and Sarah Moore, born August 3, 1815  
Archibald W Moore, son of Sarah and William Moore, born May 22, 1816  
William Jones Moore, born March 1, 1790  
Frederick Bradley Moore born February 1818  
Sarah Elizabeth Moore born March 8, 1822  
William Anthony Moore born October 17, 1823  
Marcus Munrow born October 15, 1827 or 1829  
Frederick B Moore, born February 24, 1818

## Marriages

William I Moore married Sarah Wright March 18, 1813  
Archibald D Wright, married Polly Rains May 18, 1813  
Archibald D Wright married Martha Isbell October 19, 1818  
Albert M. Wilkinson married Mary A Moore October 14, 1835  
John A. Watson, married Sarhu H. Biggers March 28, 1816

## Deaths

Archibald Wright, Senior died June 3, 1810  
Mary Wright, died November 20, 1810  
Archer D Wright, Junior died July 31, 1819, in his 30th year  
Abraham, died August 22, 1835  
Nancy died August 15, 1831  
Daughny [?] died September 18, 1831  
Mary Wright died January 11, 1840]

[Veteran's widow's heir were allowed a pension of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836 and ending January 11, 1840, the date of the widow's death.]