

NUMBER

Gilbert Benjamin



P. 4013

Nancy

17th of March 1777 in the State of Virginia
in the company commanded by Captain George
Sambert in the Regiment, commanded by Colonel
Lewis in the line of the State of Virginia on the
Continental establishment that he continued to
serve in said Corps for three years & a half when
he was discharged at Kingston in the State of
New York

That he was in the battles of Germantown, Monmouth
the Brandywine & Red Bank & that he has no
other evidence now in his power of his said services
his papers having been lost by casualty many years
ago. And in pursuance of the act of the 1st of May
1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident
Citizen of the United States, on the 1st day of
January 1820

Witness my hand and seal
this 1st day of January 1820

Smith Clerk
of the Court of
Pulaski County

I have (being for several years) no other
 income (nor have I any income other
 than what is contained in the schedule hereto an-
 nexed & by me subscribed & that I am a carpen-
 ter but am from old age unable to practice my
 trade. The members of my family residing with
 me and my wife aged 58 years who is very sickly
 & infirm my daughter aged 26 years who has
 been abandoned by her husband with her two
 children (the eldest not three years old) left
 destitute & dependant on me. I am now 65
 years old

The following is a schedule of the whole of my
 estate (necessary bedding and clothing excepted)
 (viz) Horse - - - - - \$30 00
 3 Feather beds all in common use
 by the members of my family above
 mentioned - - - - - \$35 00

2 new Bells
 1 pine side board
 8 split chairs
 a small supply of
 crockery for the present use of my
 family - - - - - \$35 00
 Subscribed
 Augustus P. Longstreet Ex. Co. 6

Georgia } I, John P. Smith, Clerk of the
Sulham County } Superior Court in and for the
County State above mentioned do hereby certify
that it appears to the satisfaction of the Court
that the said Benjamin Elbert did serve in
the Revolutionary war as stated in the preceding
declaration against the common enemy for
the term of one year & six months under an engage-
ment on the Continental establishment; I do
certify that the foregoing oath & schedule true
annexed are truly copied from the Records of
the said Court. I do further certify that it
is the opinion of the said Court, that the total
amount in value of the property exhibited in
the foregoing schedule is exactly five dollars
& no more. Witness my hand & seal of
office this 1st day of March 1791.

Gellat in his lifetime applied for a pension
under the act of 1818. His papers were returned
to him in 1824 for further proof of service; and it
does not appear that they have since been in
this office. His claim was not admitted under
the above act. 

John St. Helene Esq.

Maure

Martin Co. Va.

Georgia } Before me personally appeared
Pulham County } Robert Gilbert who being duly
sworn in the oath & saith that he was employ-
ed by his Father Benjamin Gilbert to obtain
his certificate of Pension from David Perryman
the Administrator of Robert Perryman, that
he hath applied to said Administrator & was
unable to obtain from him said Certificate and
this deponent is confident that the said Benja-
min Gilbert has never received said Certificate
of Pension.
Sworn to & signed before me ^{his} Robert Mark Gilbert
this 21st October 1826
Attest, Daniel S. P.

Georgia } Before me personally appeared
Pulham County } Benjamin Gilbert who being duly
sworn says that he has never received a Certificate
of Pension, that he was endeavoring to obtain it from
David Perryman Esq. but Mr. Perryman dying soon after
that information was communicated to me. I did
not obtain it from him & that I have since endea-
vored to have not been able to obtain said Certificate
from his Administrator David Perryman.
Sworn to & signed before me
this 21st October 1826
Ben^o Gilbert Test

State of Georgia } Personally appeared before me
Baldwin County } James Duncan of the State
and County aforesaid who being duly sworn
deposes and saith that he is acquainted
with Benjamin Gilbert of the County of
Putnam in the State aforesaid, a Revolutionary
Soldier, who is about making application to
the proper Department of the General Government
of the United States for a pension, or remuneration
for services rendered by him in the Revolutionary War, that he knew the said Gilbert
in the Continental Line in the year 1777, that
said Gilbert was attached to the Fourteenth
and Dependent to the Twelfth Regiment, that
Dependent and said Gilbert were in the
Battles of Brandywine, Germantown and
Guilford, that he was with said Gilbert
from time to time during the greater part
of the Revolutionary War, and that the
said Gilbert was wounded during said
War; & that he believed the said Gilbert
deserved his Country as a faithful Soldier.

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 21st day of Nov. 1837

1 To witness

James Duncan

Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the 7th day of July 1838, entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows.

Putnam's Inferior Court May adj. Term 1846.

State of Georgia
Putnam's County

(May 26th 1846.)

On the twenty sixth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty six, Personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Inferior Court in and for the County aforesaid, the above being a Court of record, Nancy Gilbert a resident of said County, aged seventy three years past, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth in his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed the 7th day of July 1838, entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows. That she is the widow of Benjamin Gilbert formerly written by other persons than himself Benjamin F. Gilbert who was an enlisted soldier, and served as the verily believes faithfully and truly in the American cause in the war of the Revolution. That her husband the aforesaid Benjamin Gilbert was at the time of the War a resident of Bedford County State of Virginia. That at the commencement of the War of the Revolution her said husband Benjamin Gilbert enlisted as a private soldier for the period of during the War, and went into the service of the United States, from said County and State in the Virginia Continental Line, as a private enlisted soldier and continued in said service till the war was terminated and Peace was made as she has always understood and often heard him say. That she always understood from him, that he belonged to the fourteenth Regiment and served under Gen. Washington and Gen. Green, and she has often

Let the above documentary evidence in support of her claim that her husband
discharge. She frequently says, but does not recollect the wedding or the
tribute of it further than it showed that he had been honorably dis-
charged from said service, and which her husband kept and preserved
sacredly until about the year eighteen hundred and eleven when it
was lost by some means not known, and yet unaccounted for. That she
knows of no person now living by whom she could procure said service
of her husband. She further testifies that she was married to her hus-
band the aforesaid Benjamin Gilbert on the twentieth day of September in
the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety one, by a Methodist
Clergyman by the name of Harris who then resided in the County of
Washington State aforesaid, now dead, that they were married in the County
of Thompson, now Hancock, at the House of Edmund Butler, State
of Georgia. That she has no documentary or other evidence of her marriage as
aforesaid. That her Family Registry was in the possession of her eldest
Daughter when she removed from the State of Georgia to the State of Indiana
where she has since died, and declarant has never been able to obtain said
Registry since the death of her said Daughter, and is unable now to obtain
it if it be yet in existence. Consequently she relies upon the affidavits
of three persons, now living, who saw her married for proof of said
marriage. That her husband the aforesaid Benjamin Gilbert died on the
twenty fifth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and
thirty, in the County of Putnam State aforesaid. 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 seventeen hundred and ninety
four viz, at the time above stated. May Gilbert
Sworn to and Subscribed on the day and year in
last above mentioned, before me the undersigned

and that the word "be" on the second page is inserted before being
 signed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 This the 26th day of May 1846 Bushrod W. Johnston J.C. C.

State of Georgia }
 Putnam County } Superior Court May a.d. Term 1846
 The Declaration of Mrs Nancy Gilbert widow of
 Benjamin Gilbert for a pension under the act of Congress passed
 on the 7th day of July 1838 duly certified by Bushrod W. Johnston
 a Justice of the Inferior Court of the County of said on the 26th
 day of May 1846 having been submitted to the Court in open court
 doth hereby approve the acts and proceedings of the Justice
 Bushrod W. Johnston in the whole matter.
 Given under our hands this 1st day of
 June 1846 in Open Court.
 Wm B. Carter Clerk
 Bushrod W. Sanford J.C.
 James McChesney J.C.
 Stephen B. Marshall J.C.
 Bushrod W. Johnston J.C. C.

State of Georgia }
 Putnam County } Wm B. Carter Clerk of the Inferior
 Court in and for the County of said do hereby
 certify that ~~Bushrod W. Johnston~~ is an acting Justice of said
 Court duly commissioned and legally qualified as such, and
 that the foregoing signature purporting to be his and the
 following signature purporting to be his are genuine, and that
 it is the original order of said Court approving his act.

for a pension under the act of Congress passed July 9th 1838.
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
of Office this the first day of June 1846.

W. B. Hunter c. l. k. J. C.

State of Georgia

Putnam County

This day personally appeared before me
the subscriber, a Justice of the Superior
Court in and for said County, Zachariah Roughton
a resident of said County and State who being duly
sworn saith that he was well acquainted with
Benjamin Gilbert and his wife Nancy Gilbert that
the said Benjamin Gilbert died on the twenty fifth day of
October in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty
in the County of Putnam State of Georgia, leaving Nancy
Gilbert his said wife, a widow, that she still remains
a widow.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
on this the 26th day of May 1846.

Bushrod W. Johnston J. C. C.

I do further certify that the affiant Wm. Zachariah Roughton is an
intelligent and credible witness.

26th May 1846

Bushrod W. Johnston J. C. C.

and that the word "the" on the second page is inserted before being
 signed, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 this the 26th day of May 1846. Bushrod W. Johnston J. C. C.

State of Georgia
 Putnam County } Inferior Court May 2^d Term 1846
 The Declaration of Mrs. Mary Gilbert - widow of
 Benjamin Gilbert for a pension under the act of Congress passed
 on the 7th day of July 1838 duly certified by Bushrod W. Johnston
 a Justice of the Inferior Court of the County of said on the 28th
 day of May 1846 having been submitted to the Court in which it
 doth hereby approve the vote and proceedings of the Justice
 Bushrod W. Johnston in the whole matter.

Given under our hands this 1st day of
 June 1846 in open Court.
 Bushrod W. Sanford J. C. C.
 James McEnroe J. C. C.
 Stephen B. Marshall J. C. C.
 Bushrod W. Johnston J. C. C.

State of Georgia
 Putnam County } J. J. Carter Clerk of the Inferior
 Court in and for the County of said do hereby
 certify that the within is an acting Justice of said

Pension Office
August 18, 1846

Sir,

The application of Nancy Gilbert
widow of Benjamin Gilbert under the act of
July 1838 has been examined and filed
Mr Gilbert claims a pension for the
service of her husband as a "Warrior" in the
Continental Line of Virginia. His name is not
found with those of that line who received a
Speculation Certificate. Nor is he returned as an
Indian to Brandy Land. She will be required, therefore
before her claim can be admitted, to establish that
service by the testimony of two or three witnesses who
are found upon the rolls, who of their own knowledge
can state the time of Benjamin Gilbert's entering
the service and the time and manner of his leaving
the same with the Company and regiment to which
he was attached. She must produce also
satisfactory evidence of her marriage to him
prior to January 1794. (GN)

No further of the date of their
marriage or of Gilbert's service has been filed.

Black and white photograph
Robert E. Gilbert
Benjamin Gilbert (now dead)
Hester Gilbert (now dead)

Washington City

Pension Office July 5. 1834

Hon L.P. Waldo

Commr of Pensions

(C.A.)

I file a power of atty, in the case of
Nancy, widow of Benjamin Gilbert, of the State of Georgia, under act of
7th July, 1838, with proof of her husband's death, & a mutilated copy of the
proof of service, obtained from Putnam County Georgia, on which I submit
the case, for a decision.

Respectfully
Wm. R. Rose

Black and white photograph
Robert L. Gilbert
Benjamin Gilbert (now dead)
Washington Gilbert (now dead)

21-13-21
I enclose you the Pensioners of Benjamin Gilbert - who I infer was a prisoner of the United States or at least thought a certificate had been granted him under act of March 1878. The enclosed was found among his papers and leaves the widow to infer that she has no recollection of his having received money - but believes he did make application for a Pension

I am very Respectfully

Yours
John D. Kilgore

J. S. Edwards

Commissioner of Pensions
Washington City
D.C.

Black and white photograph
Robert E. Gilbert
Benjamin Gilbert (now dead)
H. C. Tingle Gilbert (now dead)

Rich. Gilbert - Court

May Term 1854

In open Court (as a Court

being a Court of record (that)

presently appeared Martha

H. Revere wife of John

Revere of Pitt County Georgia

whose maiden name was

Martha H. Gilbert age 46

single years who says in

oath -

She was well acquainted with

Benjamin Gilbert and Nancy

W. Emery before their marriage

It was not present at

the marriage but know that

they lived together as man & wife

from the time of the marriage

until the death of said

Benjamin Gilbert - and said

Nancy Gilbert lived as his widow

until her death & died his widow

at the house of St. John's on or about

the first day of March 1850

said Benjamin Gilbert - died

on the 10th of Nov 1830

They left children of the marriage

as set

Ally H. Gilbert then married to

Thomas Bromley

Sophia Gilbert now the wife of

Jackman Roughton

Robert E. Gilbert

Benjamin Gilbert (now dead)

William Gilbert (now dead)

73rd Suprem Court May Term 1854
In open Court (said Court being a Court
of record having a clerk & seal)
personally appeared Edmund Gilbert
aged Seventy-two years - planter
residing in Bibb County Georgia
who says on oath that he was
well acquainted with Benjamin
Gilbert and Nancy Gilbert whose
marriage name was Nancy M. Ramsey
that they were married at the
house of Edmund Butler in Green
County Georgia about the year
1783. witness was at the
house at the time of the marriage
knows they lived together as man
& wife until the death of said
Benjamin Gilbert which could take
place in or about 1830
and knows that said Nancy
lived as his widow until her
death & died at the house
of Mrs Martha H. Deacon in
Bibb County in the year 1851
Benjamin Gilbert died in the year
A. D. 1830.

They left children of the marriage -
to wit -

1. H. Gilbert then married to Thomas
Daniels

2. Sophia Gilbert now the wife of
Eschard Roughton

3. Robert R. Gilbert

4. Benjamin Gilbert (now dead)

5. Washington Gilbert (now dead)

is final named above were
are now living and the
two to wit - Benjamin
and Washington Gilbert
one of said Stacey Gilbert
is now living
in Mobile Alabama
his daughter is now living
in her husband's name Putnam
by Georgia (GA)
in Bibb County Georgia
that the above
children of
Gilbert and Stacey
Gilbert is 15 years old - living
with her husband who is a
sawyer and has a good
reputation in her own right
resides in Bibb County Georgia
is one of seven to
born about this 31st May 1854

The three first named above were
and are now living and the
other two to wit - Benjamin
Gilbert & Margaret Gilbert
deceased this life in the
lifetime of said Nancy Gilbert
- My N. Grinnell is now living
a widow in Mobile Alabama
Sophia Roughlen is now living
with her husband in Putnam
County Georgia
Robert R. Gilbert now living in
DeKalb County Georgia
We hope to see that the above
named are the children of
Benjamin Gilbert and Nancy
Gilbert (G)
We hope is 15 years old - living
with her husband who is a
planter and has also
a plantation to her own right
and resides in Bibb County Georgia
Subscribed & sworn to
in open Court this 31st May 1854

Witnessed
and signed
by me at Bishop

Shelby H. Adams
mark

Georgia } In Chambers 31st May 1854
 Wilk County } J. Abner J. Powers Judge
 of the Superior Court of the Mason
 Circuit in said state do hereby certify that
 Henry G. Ross whose genuine signature appears
 to this certificate & official seal on the annexed
 page of this sheet was at the same clerk of the
 said Superior Court of Wilk County of which said county
 is in the Mason Circuit - duty assigned him to give
 in a that full faith and credit ought to be given
 to all his official acts as such clerk of said court
 at Wilk County Georgia
 J. Abner J. Powers
 Judge of the Superior Court of the Mason
 Circuit in said state
 (Seal)

Wilk County Georgia
 Clerk of the Superior Court
 (Seal)

Henry G. Ross
 Clerk of the Superior Court
 (Seal)

Know all men by these presents, that I, Alex-
s. Donnell, widow, and daughter of Benjamin
Gilbert, a Revolutionary Soldier, and Henry Gil-
bert, his wife, both of whom are now deceased, of the
City and County of Mobile and State of Alabama
have nominated and appointed and by these
presents do nominate and appoint and in
my place and stead, just and deputy Rich-
ard W. Ross Esq. Attorney and Counsellor
at Law, of the City of Washington in the District
of Columbia, U. S. my true and lawful at-
torney at law and in fact, hereby revoking all
other powers of Attorney by me at any time hith-
erto given for the same purpose. For me and in
my name to ask demand and receive all
and every sum of money or property of any kind
from all and every person or persons that may
be in possession of property of any kind to which
I may be entitled as heir at law to the said Ben-
jamin Gilbert or Henry his wife, more particu-
larly to examine the Records at the City of Washing-
ton as to the rights of the said Benjamin to a Pension
and to take all lawful ways and means
to obtain and secure the same for my use, giving
him full power and authority to do my name
and for me to sign any paper or instrument of
writing whatever that may be necessary in and
about the said business. Hereby ratifying and
holding for firm and effectual all and
whatsoever my said attorney shall lawfully do
in and about the said business by virtue of the Power
hereby given him. Witness my hand and seal the
twentieth of April A. D. 1854

Emily A. Bishop
Alex. S. Donnell

The children of the name were
now living and the other two to wit
Benjamin Gilbert & Washington Gilbert
deceased this life in the lifetime of
said Nancy Gilbert -
My H. Sonnelly is now living a
widow in Mobile Alabama -
Sophia Roughton is now living
with her husband in Putnam

County Georgia
Robert B. Gilbert now living in
Bibb County Georgia -

Witness knows that the above
names are the children of Benjamin
Gilbert and Nancy Gilbert -

Witness is 72 years old and is a
planter living in Bibb County Georgia
on his own plantation, being living
with his wife in said County - and said
State -

Subscribed and sworn to
in open Court this 31 May 1854

Abner P. Powers

Edmund Gilbert

Sup. of Court in
Georgia

Bibb Superior Court - Clerk's office

Bibb County } I Henry & Robt clerk Superior Court of same

County do hereby certify that above P. Powers whose
genuine signature appears as the offendant of Edmund
Gilbert and Martha H. Bowman was at the time of
signing the same judge of the Superior Courts of the
said County in said State duly commissioned &
severe and that full faith & credit ought to be

had & given to all his official
acts and that as a
attestation are in due form
to our office this 31 May 1854
Henry & Robt clerk

Malcolm has received \$1400 four thousand dollars, Sarah Francis Mims has received \$1000 one thousand dollars, and Josephus Gilbert has received \$800 eight hundred dollars) or may receive hereafter from Me or from My Estate. Taking the same in part of their distributive Share of My estate, and in those cases where my children have died and left child or children, said child or children shall receive that portion that would be coming to its parent if in life, so as to make all of my children in the final settlement of my Estate share equally. Malcolm & J Gilbert's children receiving their full share in Money

Item 5th My will is, this that the portions of my Estate that would be going to my daughter Sophia M Biddle be given and equally divided between her three daughters Mary Walker Martha Simpson and Cornelia Williams

Item 6th I now will and bequeath to my beloved son Josephus Gilbert all that part of my Estate that would be going to my daughter Sarah Francis Mims (in trust for her, her and her children receiving all the benefits of the same he the said Trustee administering to her wants whenever necessary to the full amount of the income of the same either by Rents hire or Interest he the said Trustee to be the sole judge and manager of the same so long as the said Sarah Francis Mims shall live and at her death to give the said share to her children in fee simple

Item 6th I likewise appoint my sons Julius C & Josephus Gilbert to be Executors of this my last will and testament and they are hereby made and constituted the same

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the thirtyfirst day of May Eighteen hundred and fifty six Signed and sealed in the presence of

William Wynn
Jas R. Ligon
John C. Gilbert

Edmund Gilbert

Prob County

Court of Ordinance

12 Jan 1887

In open Court personally appeared before me a
William T. Maynard Ordinance of said County
William T. Maynard Joel H. Simonson
John H. Gilbert

subscribing witnesses
to the annexed foregoing last will & testament
of Edmund Gilbert who each after being
duly sworn depose & say that

the said Edmund Gilbert
sign seal publish & declare the annexed foregoing
as & for his last will & testament - That said
testator was of sound mind & memory and
executed the same freely & voluntarily without
coercion or restraint from any one
That said testator signed the same in our
presence & we signed in his presence & in
presence of each other
Witness our hands & seals at the
Court held 12 Jan 1887

William T. Maynard
Joel H. Simonson
John H. Gilbert