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South Carolina

John Bird

Lieut

Capt. Warley

South Carolina

In the army of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

Inscribed on the Roll of South Carolina

at the rate of 20 Dollars per month, to commence on
the 7th of July 1818.

Certificate of Pension issued the 8 of Jan 1819
and delivered to himself

to 4th of Sept 1819 38.98
and all ending 4th Mar 1819 120.00
273.15 4/30 = 158.98

Revolutionary claim,
Act 15th March, 1818.

Supplement certificate
John Bird Sept 12 1819

John Bird

1819

State of South Carolina

Before me David Jones one
one of the associate Judges of the said State
personally appeared Capt John Bird who made
the following Declaration on oath pertinent to
the act of Congress of the United States entitled
"An act to provide for certain persons engaged
in the land & naval service of the United States
during the Revolutionary War". That
he entered the land service of the United States in
the war of the Revolution as a private soldier
in a company commanded by Capt George Wadley
in the Reg^t commanded by Col William Henderson
the precise time of which is not recollecting
but he believes in the year 1776 or 1777 that he
in that Reg^t for about two years & was then
to the 1st Continental Reg^t of South Carolina Col Charles
B. Pinckney attached to the Company of that Reg^t
commanded by Capt ——— Turner that in this Company
he acted as Sergeant for some time and was
finally appointed and commissioned Adjutant
of the Regiment with the rank of Lieutenant &
remained in that Reg^t in that character until
as well as is recollecting about the year 1780 when
he resigned his commission and that shortly
after he joined the Brigade of State Troops
in the character of ——— commanded by Genl Sumpter
in the character of Lieut with which he remained
until near the close of the war.
The deponent further saith that the several

Commissions which he held during the war has
been lost by time or accident so that he has them
not now to produce, and that he received three
gun shot wounds in the sieges of Chancellorsville
and Gettysburg.

The Declarer further states he is now in his
fifty ninth year of age and that on account
of his reduced circumstances, his age and
trading infirmities he needs the assistance of
his country for the support of himself and
family.

John Bird

I do hereby certify that Capt.
John Bird did make the foregoing
Declaration on oath before me
at Union Point, North Carolina
day of July 1818.

David Johnson



South Carolina }
United Districts }

On the Thirtieth day of March one thousand
eight hundred and twenty one personally appeared
me John B. Bird being a Court of Record exercising
unlimited Jurisdiction in both civil and criminal cases
John Bird agent for the said resident in the
District in the State aforesaid who being first duly
sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that
he served in the Revolutionary War as follows that
he enlisted as a Sergeant in 1776 in the 6th Regiment of the
South Carolina Continental Line commanded by Colonel
Fletcher for three years in the company commanded by Capt
Ward and was afterwards transferred to the first Regiment
of the same line commanded by Colonel Pickens in
Captain Turner's Company in which he was promoted to an
adjutant with rank of lieutenant and that he has received
a pension under certificate No. 5244 from the War Department
and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident
Citizen of the United States on the eighteenth

day of March one thousand eight hundred and
eighteen and that I have not since that time
by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my pro-
perty or any part thereof with intent thereby to
diminish it as to being myself within the pro-
visions of an Act of Congress entitled An Act to
provide for certain persons engaged in the Land
and Naval Service of the United States in the
Revolutionary War passed on the 18th day of March
1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust
for me any property or securities connected with the

due to me nor have I any income other than what
is contained in the Schedule here to be used and
by me as best I can.

1 bed and furniture valued at	\$15.00
1 pot	2.50
1/2 dozen of plates	1.00
1 set of knives and forks	1.50
1 set of 75. cups & saucers	1.50
60 acres of land, (in debt at law for money)	220.00
	<u>\$141.50</u>

That the family residing with him consist of
a Wife Elizabeth aged about fifty years, very
infirm and not able to support herself.

Served in open court

John Bird

before me

Alfred Nott

I, Abraham Norton one of the judges of the superior
court of law of the State of South Carolina do hereby
certify that it is my opinion the real amount
of the value of the property contained in the above
schedule does not exceed one hundred and fifty
dollars -

Alfred Nott

March 23^d 1821

Declaration of Anna C. Smith
daughter of Capt John Bird de^d (who
was a soldier of the Revolution) in order to
obtain for herself and the other surviving
children of the said Capt John Bird de^d
(if alive) the benefit of the act of Congress
of the 7th June 1832.

State of North Carolina
Union District S. S.

On this the 24th day of April 1846
personally appeared before the Court of Ordinary
for the said District Anna C. Smith, a
resident of the District of Union in the State
aforesaid, who on being first duly sworn upon
the holy evangelists of Almighty God depose &
says, that she is the daughter of the
above named Capt John Bird de^d whom she
is informed & believes was a soldier of the Revolution

~~under the Provision of an Act of Congress of the 14th March~~
Per Annum under the act of Congress of the 18th March
1818. That she was informed long before the
death of her said Father (which took place on
the 4th day of December 1813), that he was
entitled to an increase of Pension under the
act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832, and
made an attempt to obtain it, but owing to his
being entirely blind for several years previous
to his death, he was unable to travel about
to obtain it or attend to it, and it was therefore
neglected.

This Dependent further states that
at the time of the death of her father the said
Capt John Bird de^d he left no Widow, his
Wife, the Mother of this Dependent having died

Many years before, but that she left the following Children, to wit: This Dependent aged about fifty six years & a resident in the said District of Union, Sally Bird, now the widow of James Carr, aged about sixty years, living when last heard from somewhere in the State of Massachusetts, the County unknown, a son Henry C Bird aged about fifty four years, not heard from for some years, but when last heard from said to be living in Texas, Catharine Bird, now Mrs Francette aged about fifty one years, and when last heard from living in the State of Alabama, County not known. James C Bird aged about forty six years, living when last heard from in the State of Alabama, County not known.

It having been some years since the above named brother and sister of this Dependent were heard from with any certainty although she has made efforts to hear from them, she does not know whether they are alive or not.

The said John Bird also had one other son whose name was John Bird but who died many years before his father and left five Children, the survivors of these Children if any at the death of the said Capt John Bird and reside as Dependent is informed somewhere in the far West - but she cannot state anything more definite in regard to them.

This Dependent deems it unnecessary to say anything in regard to the Revolutionary Services of her father. She refers to the Evidence now on the files of the proper Departments upon which the said John Bird

was placed upon the Pension Roll under the
~~Act of Congress of the 7th June 1832~~
Policies that if the said John Pina, deceased
father, is entitled to an increase of Pension under
the act of Congress of the 7th June 1832, her rights
may not be withheld but rendered to her according
to Law. She further states, that she has
always understood that her father did not
resign in 1781 but that he was taken prisoner
by the British in 1781, and begs that she
be permitted to offer proof upon this subject
with the view to secure the Commutation &
Pension Land to which she has been led to hope
her said Father was entitled. If however
her father has stated in his declaration that
he did resign in 1781, she admits that is conclusive
but begs that his declaration be re-examined
upon this subject.

And further they dependent upon

not.

Sherris to Subscribed
Before me in Shenandoah
this the 24th day of
April 1846

} Anna C Smith

State of South Carolina
Union District 3 SS.

Capt John C Smith states on
Oath that he knows personally and knows that
Capt John Pina a Revolutionary Pensioner of
the United States died at the time stated
in the above affidavit or declaration of
Anna C Smith. He also knows of his own

State of South Carolina
Union District

On the Thirtieth day of June
A.D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty
three personally appeared before the undersigned a Magistrate for the District and State aforesaid Nancy Sharpe wife of John Sharpe a resident of the District & State aforesaid who after being duly sworn according to law on the oath to the make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the promise made by any law of the United States allowing her Pension amount of Pension Commutation Pay or bounty fund "as per act of Law of Lieutenant John Bird who was a Revolutionary Pensioner at the rate of two hundred & forty dollars a year and on the South Carolina Pension Roll. That she is informed and believes she is entitled to receive from the United States under existing laws amount of Pension & increased Pension and also Commutation Pay & bounty fund due to her grand father the said Lieut John Bird and not drawn nor received by him in his lifetime. That she is one of four sisters still living children of John Bird ^{who} was a son of the said Lieut John Bird deceased. That her father John Bird ^{who} died in the year Eighteen Hundred & twenty eight or nine and prior to the death of her grand father the said Lieut John Bird. That her grand father the said Lieut John Bird died in Union District & State aforesaid some time in the year Eighteen

Hundred and forty five that she is not certain
the said Lieut. John Bird left any children behind
living as all of them had removed from this
State years before her death she refers to the
personally and annexed affidavits for
proof of her claims and her relation to
the said Lieut. John Bird deceased

Nancy Sharp

Sworn and subscribed before me
the day and year above written

B. F. Milled

State of South Carolina

Union District

Magistrate

On this thirteenth day of June
ad om. thousand eight hundred and fifty
three personally appeared before me Joseph
Hughes a resident of the District & State
aforesaid who after being duly sworn
according to law depose and say that he
is well acquainted with Mrs. Nancy Sharp
whose name appears to the foregoing
declaration that he knows positively that
the said Nancy Sharp is a grand child
of Lieutenant John Bird deceased; that
he was well acquainted with Lieut. John
Bird & his son John Bird father of the said
Nancy Sharp that the said John Bird is
married deposants sister and as depo
sant believes in the year eighteen hundred
twenty eight and that the said Lieutenant
John Bird died about the time stated in
the year and year above declaration
of Mrs. Nancy Sharp but the precise time

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Bureau of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.,

1901

In reply to your request of July 3, 1898 received for a statement of the military history of John B. ... a soldier of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired information as contained in his (or his widow's) application for pension on file in this Bureau.

DATES OF ENLISTMENT OR APPOINTMENT.	LENGTH OF SERVICE.	RANK.	OFFICERS UNDER WHOM SERVICE WAS RENDERED.		STATE.
			CAPTAIN.	COLONEL.	
1776	3 yrs.	Sgt.	George Hartman	Nathaniel ...	Vt.
Then transferred to ...					
Taken prisoner at the ... and ...					
Date 1780. ...					
... of the ...					
... both of ...					
... and ...					

Battles engaged in, Sunder's defense on the ...

Residence of soldier at enlistment, North ...

Date of application for pension, July 7, 1898

Residence at date of application, ...

Age at date of application, 58 yrs.

Remarks: ...

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Very respectfully,

Commissioner