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North Carolina

John Blackwell
of the State of N. C.
who is in the command
of the Regt. commanded
by Col. Benton in the N. C.
line for ~~9 months~~ 10 months

Entered on the Roll of N. C. Carolina
at rate of \$4 Dollars per annum,
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 20 day of April
and John and James
Blair - D. R.

Admitted to the 1st of April 1831
Permanent allowance ending 1st April 1878

\$946.5

{ Revolutionary Claim,
Approved 7, 1832 }

Received by Clerk,
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The State of North Carolina }
Chesapeake District }

On this the 11th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Twenty three, personally appeared before me James Moore one of the justices of Peace in and for the District and State aforesaid, Abram Blackwell, who being by me duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed on the 7th June 1832 - That he is about the age of Eighty years - That he entered the military service in the State of North Carolina ~~and~~ was drafted and placed under the command of Col. Benton deponent then being about Eighty years old, that after marching under that command against the Indians on Downing Creek he was marched under the command of Captain Hardman to Cheraw fort and from thence to George Town S.C. under the command of Capt. Eliza M. Lee - from thence he was marched to Faddells Point under the command of Capt. Sabers - from there he went to Fort Johnson under the command of Capt. Hardman about named who, he found the forces - from Johnson he marched to Kershaw and at a bridge between Charleston & Kershaw he was in an engagement with the enemy - the name of the bridge he does not now recollect - from Kershaw he returned to Charleston and again was placed under the command of Col. Benton - from there he was marched to Fort Mifflin under the command of Col. Hicks - that he was sent from there with a detachment as an escort with the family and his party of Gen. Sumter and was engaged in a skirmish with the Jones - at this latter period the British was in possession of Camden. The deponent further states that he is unable from recollection to state the dates of his particular service but is positive that he was in the actual service of the country more than two years. The deponent further swears that he is, and has been for many years unable from bodily infirmity to get out of his house or to attend and make thus his declarations in open Court. The deponent states that he is unable to say whether any of his fellow soldiers are now alive and who can testify as to his services but if Graves of Anson County or Capt. Jones of Lancaster District are now alive they can testify as to the services. The deponent states that he removed to Chesapeake District about 25 or 30 years ago and has resided within the same since. Deponent hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the ~~benefit~~ and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State of the United States.

Witnessed and subscribed before me }
the day and year above written }

James Moore, J.P.

Subscribed by the Deponent
+ sworn to

We Thomas Berry, a Clergyman residing in Rockham District and
Guillam King residing in Chesapeake District, hereby certify, that we
are well acquainted and have been for many years with Abraham
Blackwell who hath subscribed the foregoing declaration: that we
believe him to be eighty years old: that he is, and has been, always
reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides, to have
been a Soldier of the Revolution, and that we concur in that statement.
We further state that we know he is unable from bodily infirmity
to attend and make his declaration in open Court.

Done to before us
this 17 day of February 1833

James Jowers, J.P.

Thomas Berry
Guillam King

~~James Jowers~~
I James Jowers one of the justices for the District
of Chesapeake in the State of South Carolina do hereby declare
after the investigating the matter, and after putting the interro-
gatories prescribed by the War Department, that I am perfectly
satisfied and am of opinion that the above named Applicant
was a Revolutionary Soldier, and served as he states. And the
Court further certifies, that it is also well satisfied that Thomas
Berry and Guillam King who hath signed the foregoing Certificate
is a Clergyman residing as stated and that King who has
also signed the same is residing as stated, and that their state-
ment is entitled to full faith and credit. Certify that I
am well satisfied that the Applicant is unable to appear
in open Court to make his declaration.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand (there being no seal of Office) this
the day of February 1833.

James Jowers

J.P.

South Carolina }

Charleston District } John Craig Clerk of the Court of
General Sessions & Common Pleas in and for said District
do hereby certify and declare that
James Rogers who signed the foregoing Certificate
is an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the
District aforesaid, and that all due faith and
credit is & ought to be given his official acts
and attestations accordingly -

Given under my hand & the seal of the
said Court at Charleston Court House
the Eleventh day of February 1863

John Craig C.D.

South Carolina

Charleston District } Personally appeared before me
undersigned James Rogers of the
Peace for the District of Charleston & County of Charleston
Blackwell, who being duly sworn, deposed that

and truth told by him of old age and the
consequent loss of memory, he cannot recollect
particularly when with Blackwell as he followed him
of his service, but according to the best of his
recollection he so remained less than the period mentioned
below and in the following Order, about the beginning
of the Revolutionary war. He served a number of
years as a private in the Continental Army, being in the
battles of Brandywine and Germantown, and had a share in the
capture of Fort Mifflin.

His next tour was for one month in
the militia of South Carolina, being upon
duty during the Battle of the Clouds, not recollecting
the names of any of his officers.

His next tour was for one month in the militia of
South Carolina under Capt. Hardeman.

His next term of service was 6 weeks for
one month under Capt. Seaborn of the militia.

His next tour was performed at Haddrell's

Hatfield, near Charleston, still among the men
does not remember the name of his officer - His next
month's service was, under Col. John Johnson
Charleston, under Capt. Hardiman - He next
served three months & two weeks at Parrisburg
under regular officers - was driven out
by British troops, and had a skirmish with them at
Baconsburg - His next tour was a month
under Col. Hopt - Capt. Eliza mapped on South

River - His next tour was about one month
under Capt. Fain, escorting Gen. Sumter to the
Famish towards the sea - had a battle with
the British on Lynch's Creek and was defeated
by them - He served the balance of the
war under various officers, of whose
names, he is forgetting, Capt. John
Walt, & Ensign Holmes - He participated
in the battle of Culm under Gen.
Green, and was uniformly successful
during the whole Revolutionary
war, but does not recollect precisely
the various dates & officers - He is
confident, however, that in the aggregate
he served considerably over two years.

Subscribed
he for me

November 1st, 1853.

his
Abraham + Blackwell
mort.

I, Daniel D. Abram Blackwell, house
draw the above affidavit myself, & certify to its
execution, and know James G. Tully to be a
Justice of the Peace duly authorized to administer
an oath.

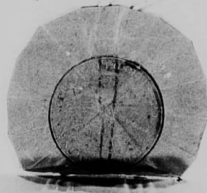
James Blair, M.
D.

South Carolina

Charleston District

I, J. C. Craig, Clerk of the
Court of Common Pleas & Sessions for
said district do hereby certify that all
whom it may concern that Jacob
Marshall before whom the foregoing affa-
davit was made was at the time and
is yet an acting Magistrate in and
for said district duly appointed &
qualified as such and that his sig-
natures thereto are genuine

Witness my hand and
seal of Office at Char-
leston Court House this 23 day
of Dec^r 1841 James H. Hinton fifty
J. C. Craig Clerk



South Carolina personally appeared
Charles J. D. District Judge before me
William Marshall and after being duly
sworn according to law sayeth that
he is acquainted with James Blackwell
and also knew Abraham Blackwell his
father and he always ~~was~~ had
acknowledged the said James Blackwell
to be his legitimate son sworn to
before me ¹²
December the 14. 1852 William Marshall
J Marshall Notary

South Carolina
Chesterfield District } Personally appeared before
Zachariah Marshall one of the Magt in and for
said District being duly appointed and now
acting Bentley Outlaw and being duly sworn
sayeth that he is well acquainted with James
Blackwell and knows that he is a lawful
heir in Abraham Blackwells Estate
Sworn to before me
December the 17th 1850 } his
Zachariah Marshall } Bentley & Outlaw
Magt } & mark

South Carolina
Charleston District
Personally appeared before me Zachariah Marshall
one of the Justs in and for said District
being duly appointed and now acting Ephraim
Gandy and being duly sworn sayeth that he
was well acquainted with Abraham
Blackwell and knows that he the said Abraham
Blackwell served six months to my knowledge
in the Old Revolutionary War under General
Marion as a Militia Soldier the said Deponent
dont recollect the precise Date but perfectly
recollects the services of the said Abraham
Blackwell Deponent further says that according
to the Record of the old Family Bible
he was one hundred and Eight years old the
Eleventh day of September last
Sworn to and subscribed
before me
December the 17 1860 } Ephraim Gandy
Z Marshall Justs } mark

Test
Given under my hand
William H. Daniels
mark

South Carolina
Charterfield District } personally appeared before me
Zachariah Marshall one of the Magts in and for
said District being duly appointed and now
acting Bentley Cutler and being duly sworn together
he was well acquainted with Abraham Blackwell
and knows that he the said Abraham Blackwell
served as a Militia Soldier under the command of
General Marion and General Sumter Deponent
says that he dont Recollect how long the said
Abraham Blackwell served but knows that he served
along time Deponent says that he and Abraham
Blackwell was in the fight at the Cattle Spring
dont Recollect the precise Date but Recollect well
the services of the said Abraham Blackwell Deponent
says that to the best of his recollection that he
is one hundred and three years old
sworn to and subscribed
before me
December the 17th 1830 } Bentley Cutler
Magistrate } mark

Test

Soe usely

William H. Daniels
mark

State of South Carolina
Charleston District. Personally appeared before
me Isaac Moseley and being duly sworn
saith that Sarah Blackwell the wife of
Abraham Blackwell died in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
thirty, deponent also saith on oath that
he knows the fact that Abraham Blackwell
has been dead fifteen years.

Sworn before me
18th Decr 1850.
J. C. Craig Clerk
Circuit Court. Plant.

Isaac Moseley

June 8, 1936

Mrs. H. P. Jenkins
3900 Cathedral Avenue
Washington, D. C.

ABRAHAM BLACKWELL
S. 18388
RA-J/MLB

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your personal request of June 3, for the Revolutionary War record of Abraham Blackwell (S. 18388).

The record of Abraham Blackwell follows as found in the papers on file in pension claim, S. 18388, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

Abraham Blackwell was born September 11, 1742; the place of his birth and names of parents are not given.

Abraham Blackwell enlisted in the State of South Carolina early in the Revolutionary War, date not stated, served at various times until the close of the war, amounting in all to more than two years as a private under Captains Elisha Magee, Hardyman, Du Bose, Fair and John Watts, and Colonels Benton and Hicks in the South Carolina troops; he stated that he served also under various other officers including Ensign Holmes and that during his service he was in the battle of Bacon's Bridge, several skirmishes, in an engagement on Lynch's Creek and in the battle of Satow Springs.

The soldier moved about 1788 to Chesterfield District, South Carolina.

Abraham Blackwell was allowed pension on his application executed February 9, 1835, while a resident of Chesterfield District, South Carolina. He died about 1835.

Reference was made to Abraham Blackwell's wife, Sarah, who died sometime in 1830, no other details in regard to her given, also to soldier's son, James Blackwell, who was alive in 1850, his place of residence not stated. No other reference was made to children.

In order to obtain date of last payment of pension, the name of person paid and possibly the exact date of death of Abraham Blackwell, you should write to the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, Records Division, this city, and cite the following:

Abraham Blackwell
Certificate #23422
Issued January or June 20, 1834
Rate, \$80 per annum
Commenced March 4, 1831
Act June 7, 1832
South Carolina Agency.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator

Payments to be made
at Charleston —
by the C. de S. Bank
Agent for paying Pension-
ers in the Agency of South
Carolina

Cancel this &
Send the new
Cert. to Hon.
James Blair

H D — Recorded in the Pension Of-
fice, in Book E Vol 6
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Clerk

WAR DEPARTMENT.

REVOLUTIONARY CLAIM.

I certify that, in conformity with the law of the United States of the 7th June, 1832, *Graham Blackwell* — of the State of South Carolina who was a Private in the War of the Revolution

is entitled to receive *Thirty - One* — dollars and *fifty - five* — cents per annum, during his natural life, commencing on the 4th of March, 1831, and payable semi-annually on the 4th of March, and 4th of September in each year.

Given at the War Office of the United States, this *20th* day of *January* one thousand eight hundred and thirty-*Four*

Examined and
Countersigned.

J. L. Ed.
Commissioner of

Free
Post Office

John J. Edwards, Esq.,
Post Office,
Washington City.

\$80 per ann.



John J. Edwards, Esq.,
Post Office,
Washington City.

Capitol, Jan'y 10 1834.

Dear Sir;

Since I left your office,
and after reflecting on the case of O's men
Abraham lackwell this distressed
situation, I feel it my duty to say a
few words more in his behalf -

Although I believe it impossible
for him to make better legal proof
of his services, than he has done; yet,
knowing him as I do, and knowing
the reputation he bears amongst the O's
people in his neighbourhood, I would
not derive stronger moral evidence
of his having bravely & gallantly
served, not only two years, but nearly
or quite the whole of the Revolutionary
war. He is universally believed, where
he is known, to have been one of the
brave & most Patriotic soldiers of his day,
He has been for many years past an
example

exemplary member of the Baptist
Church, — And no man that knows
him w^d question his veracity or credibility.
His recollection, as regard details, &
particular Circumstances, is not greatly
aided or aided by himself, on acct. of
his great age & infirmity, — but every
one who knows him will believe him
when he asserts, generally & positively, that
he owed more than his name.

I trust, therefore, on this additional
statement of mine, you will have no
hesitation in allowing him a full pension.
Should you hesitate about it, yourself,
I must beg you to show this & all Mr.
Blackwell's papers to Mr. C. and
after all, if nothing better can be done
for the poor old man, you will at least
be as good as to allow him what we
had agreed upon when I last saw you.
Very respectfully,
J. A. Lincoln, Jr. James W. Blair, N.Y.

Mr. Edwards will please
allow a pension for what
time of service he has done
in the colony made out
by him on the 14th of
the balance may stand
until 80 Mr. Blackwell
can prove his service
more satisfactory.

James Blair,
H. of R.

Adm^d
of Mo. L. D. 20-
15-
31.55-

Hon. James Blair
H. R.

Mr 28.681-
Abraham Blackwell

Hon. James Blair
H. R.

Pension Office,

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules, and the subjoined notes, you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will show what is necessary to be done. These points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus: }). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

Period when he was in service or retired.	Duration of the claimant's service.	Rank of the claimant.	Name and rank of the Field of- ficer under whom he served.	Age at present, and place of abode when he entered the service.	Proof by which the declaration is supported.
Years.					
Months.					
Days.					

Your obedient servant,

JAMES L. EDWARDS,
Commissioner of Pensions.

REGULATIONS UNDER THE ACT OF JUNE 7, 1832.

The following regulations have been adapted:

This law has been construed to extend, as well to the line, as to every branch of the Staff of the Army, and to include under the terms "Continental Line," "State troops," "militia," and "volunteers," all persons enlisted, drafted, or who volunteered and who were bound to military service, but not those who were occasionally employed with the army upon civil contracts, such as Clerks to Commissaries and to Store Keepers, &c., Teamsters, Boatmen, &c. Persons who served on board of private armed vessels are also excluded from the benefits of the law, as well as persons who turned out as patrols, or were engaged in guarding particular places at night, and were not recognized as being in actual military service.

Four general classes of cases are embraced in this law:

1. The Regular Troops.
2. The State Troops, Militia, and Volunteers.
3. Persons employed in the Naval Service.
4. Indian Spies.

As rolls of the regular troops in the Revolutionary War exist in this Department, all persons claiming the benefit of this law as officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians or privates, will, in the first instance, make application by transmitting the following declaration, which will be made before a Court of Record of the County where such applicant resides. And every Court having by law a seal and Clerk is considered a Court of Record.

DECLARATION.

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June, 1832.

State, Territory, or District of } ss.
County of }

On this day of personally appeared (a) before and State, Territory or District of aged (c) years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed June 7th, 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year (d) with and served in the (e) regiment of the line, under the following named officers:

[Here set forth the names and rank of the Field and Company Officers: the time he left the service: (and if he served under more than one term of enlistment, he must specify the particular period, and rank and names of his officers.) the town or county and State in which he resided when he entered the service; the battles, if any, in which he was engaged, and the country through which he marched. (F) This form is to be varied so as to apply to the cases of officers and persons who belonged to the militia, volunteers, navy, &c.]

He hereby relinquishes every claim (f) whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State, or (if any) only on that of the Agency in the State of A. B.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

[And then will follow the certificate of the Court.]

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion (g) that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier, and served as he states.

I of the Court of do hereby certify (h) that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the application of for a pension.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office (i) this day of &c.

If, on examination of the proper record, the names of applicants, making such declaration, cannot be found, they will produce such proof as the rule given in note (j) points out.

Every applicant who claims a pension by virtue of service in the State Troops, Volunteers or Militia, except those who belonged to the New Hampshire Militia and State Troops of Virginia, will make and subscribe a declaration similar to the foregoing, with the following additions, viz:

(k) We, A. B., a Clergyman, residing in the and C. D., residing in (the same) hereby certify, that we are well acquainted with who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be years of age; that he is reputed and believed, in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn and subscribed the days and year aforesaid.

[And then will follow the certificate of the Court.]

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion, after the investigation of the matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above named applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier, and served as he states. And the Court further certifies, that it appears to them that A. B. who has signed the preceding certificate is a clergyman, resident in the and that C. D., who has also signed the same is a resident in the and is a credible person, and that their statement is entitled to credit.

I, Clerk of the Court of do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court, in the matter of the application of for a pension.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, this day of &c.

Every applicant will produce the best proof in his power. This is the original discharge or commission; but if neither of these can be obtained, the party will so state under oath, and will then procure, if possible, the testimony of at least one credible witness, stating in detail his personal knowledge of the services of the applicant, and such circumstances connected therewith, as may have a tendency to throw light upon the transaction.

If such surviving witness cannot be found, the applicant will so state in his declaration, (l) and he will also, whether he produce such evidence or not, proceed to relate all the material facts, which can be useful in the investigation of his claim, and in the comparison of his narrative with the events of the period of his

Veto. Admin.

June 3, 1936

Kindly furnish record of Abraham
Blackwell (A. 18328) Res. Hak

& mail to

Mrs. H. P. Jenkins
3900 Cathedral Ave -
Washington, D.C.

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[Arrangement of 1870.]

House Rep: 8th Jan'y 1850

Commissioner of Pensions

Sir

Enclosed I send you papers of Mr Saml Blackwell, who it seems is applying for a pension on him of his Father who was a revolutionary soldier. I do not know whether this is his original application, if so, I apprehend his papers are not properly made out, please examine them and if they are not send me a copy of the regulations in such cases that I may forward them to Mr Craig - I have the Honor to be Your obt Servt

Thos. H. 22/1850

SOURCE INFORMATION

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State: South Carolina

Veteran: Blackwell, Abraham

Pensioner: [Blank]

Service: S.C.

Pension Number: S. 18328

Conflict Period: US Revolutionary War

Served for: United States of America

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