

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Owen Roberts BLWt2359-500

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Report of the Secretary of War to the House of Representatives, dated 15th of February 1791 See "American State Papers," No. 1, Volume of "Claims" page 25 **in** which Report the Secretary States that, Owen Roberts, was a Colonel of the South Carolina Continental Regiment of Artillery, and that he was mortally wounded in the service of his Country on the 20th of June 1779 -- 7 years half pay, viz. \$4,200, was granted the 16th of April 1792 to Representatives of Colonel Owen Roberts, deceased, -- see same Volume as above Page 387.

It appears from a Report of the Secretary of War, dated 15th of February 1791 (American State Papers, Volume of Claims). That the late Owen Roberts, was a Colonel of the South Carolina Regiment of Artillery, and that, he was mortally wounded in the service of his Country on the 20th of June 1779.

It appears at page 387, Volume aforesaid, that on the 16th April 1792, a Certificate for \$4,200 issued for the "Seven years half pay" do you in right of the aforesaid Colonel Roberts, deceased, including interest commencing June 20th 1786 –

State of New York Westchester County  
Surrogates Office 17th of April 1845

I certify that satisfactory evidence was adduced to me to prove that Lucius QC Roberts, Owen M. Roberts and Frances Maria Hurd the wife of General N. M Hurd of the City of Albany are the Grand Children and only heirs at law in fact to Owen Roberts who was a Colonel in the South Carolina Regiment of Continental Regiment of Artillery who it is said was killed in battle in the 20th June 1779.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 17th day of April 1845  
S/ Fredk J. Coffin, Surrogate

Northumberland January 15th 1844

Honorable C. Ellis  
Member of Congress – Sir

Excuse me for taking the liberty of requesting a favor from you, you will probably remember by making out some paper for you to send to your Brother relative to some claims I might have for services rendered by my Grand Father in the Revolution. As you are now in Washington you would do me a great favor by investigating the business for me. I will give you some information so as to get you on the track -- My Grand Father Owen M. Roberts of South Carolina entered the regular forces by appointment from the Provincial Congress June 2nd 1775

and obtained the rank about June 5th 1775 as Major of the first Regiment of foot he was killed in the attack on the British lines at capstone [sic, Stono] South Carolina then a Colonel of Artillery under General Lincoln June 20th 1779.

My Father Richard Brook Roberts served as an officer through the whole of the War. I think my Father received a whole of his pay -- but there is still a claim for lands on the part of Grand Father, which never has been received. I wish you would look it all over for me and obliged your old friend. If you should wish for any further information please drop me a line. I resided on Bacon Hill Northumberland Saratoga County -- I remained up with the utmost respect

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Your Obedient Servant  
S/ L. Q. C. Roberts