

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Fronebarger<sup>1</sup> BLWt86036-160-55 Barbara Fronebarger f37NC

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[p 3]

Declaration for widow

Who has never received Bounty Land

State of North Carolina County of Gaston

On this 26th day of May 1855, personally appeared before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, within and for the County and State aforesaid, (duly authorized by law to administer oaths,) Mrs. Barbary Fronebarger, aged 92 years, a resident of Gaston County in the County and State aforesaid, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of John Fronebarger, deceased, who was a Soldier, and the company of Captain William Moore, and the Regiment of North Carolina commanded by Colonel \_\_ in the war with Great Britain or the Revolutionary War

That her said husband entered the service of the United States at Salisbury or Raleigh on or about the \_\_ day of \_\_ 18\_\_, for the term of 3 months at the close of the War and continued in actual service in said war for the term of at least 14 days, and was honorably discharged from said service as will appear by the Muster Rolls of said company, not having any knowledge of the manner of her said husbands discharge. She further states that she was married to the said John Fronebarger in the County of Trione [sic, Tryon] at that State of North Carolina on or about the 19, day of June 1783 by William Moore, Esqr., and that her name before her marriage was M. Barbara Huffstedlar, that her said husband died at home in Lincoln County on the Eight [?] day of July 1842, and she is still a widow.

[power of attorney paragraph appointing Thomas Lumpkin of DC to act as her attorney in pursuing her bounty land claim has not been transcribed because it is legal boilerplate language.]

S/ Elizabeth Fronebarger, X her mark

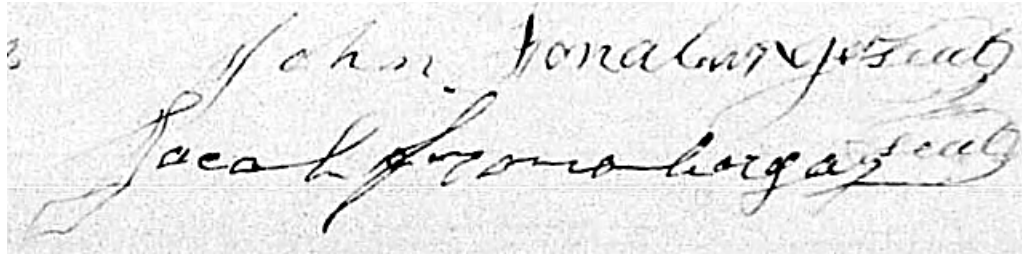
Jacob Fronebarger and Paul Fronebarger gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[On December 4, 1856, in Gaston County, NC, Barbara Fronebarger aged 94, filed again for her bounty land entitlement stating that her husband served 3 months in Capt. Moore's company; that "she frequently heard him say he was in company with Thos Castner<sup>2</sup> his step father who she knows was a Revolutionary pensioner...."; that she married John Fronebarger, a near neighbor, in June 1781 in North Carolina, that they were married by John Moore, JP, in what is now Gaston County. This application was supported by John Fronebarger and Jacob Fronebarger.]

<sup>1</sup> Name also appears as Froneberger, Fronabarger and Fronabargar

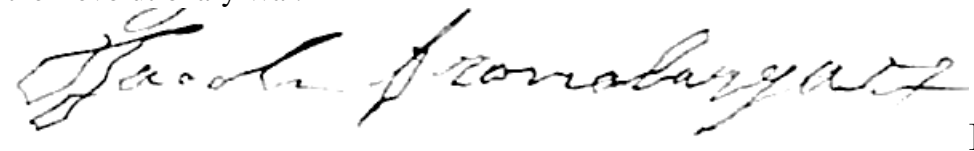
<sup>2</sup> I believe this is [Thomas Costner \(Castner\) W18856](#)

[p 6: John Fronebarger, Jr. and Jacob Fronebarger gave supporting testimony on behalf of the widow's application stating that the veteran and his wife had several children and lived together as man and wife, it never been doubted that they were legally married. The relationship, if any, of the affiants to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated in this document.



Handwritten signatures of John Fronebarger, Jr. and Jacob Fronebarger. The signatures are written in cursive and are positioned above a closing bracket.]

[p 21: On April 7, 1857 in Gaston County North Carolina, Jacob Fronabarger, 67, a resident of Gaston County North Carolina gave testimony that he has been personally acquainted with John Fronabarger since he, the affiant, was quite a small boy from the fact that John Fronabarger was the affiant's uncle; that he has often heard his uncle speak of having served a 3 months tour of duty in the revolutionary war under Captain William Moore of Lincoln County when they marched down to Wilmington or near their; that his uncle was always recognized as a soldier of the Revolutionary War.



Handwritten signature of Jacob Fronabarger. The signature is written in cursive and is positioned above a closing bracket.]

[p 25: On May 22, 1855 in Cleveland County North Carolina, William Lowe, 65, gave testimony that he was personally acquainted with the veteran and his wife; that the affiant lived within half a mile of the veteran and heard him speak of his service in the revolutionary war; that the veteran and his wife were always looked upon his having been legally married.



Handwritten signature of William Lowe. The signature is written in cursive and is positioned above a closing bracket.]

[p 27: On April 8, 1857 in Cleveland County North Carolina, Christopher Kiser, aged about 80, gave testimony that he was personally acquainted with the veteran and his wife for about 60 years; that they lived together as man and wife. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

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State of North Carolina Lincoln County

I, John A. Huss Clerk of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions in and for said County of Lincoln hereby certify that there is filed in my Office a return of Captain William Moore's<sup>3</sup> Company of foot under command of Brigadier General Rutherford to Wilmington, and in said return appears the name of one Jno Fronabarger who (as appears from said list) served under said Captain William Moore 92 days, viz. "Entered in service 21st September 1781, discharged December 21st 1781."

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<sup>3</sup> [William Moore S7250](#)

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Court at Office in  
Lincoln to and this 21st March A.D. 1857.

S/ J. A. Huss, C. C. Clk