

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Wade R10979

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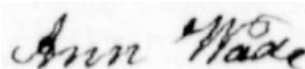
### State of North Carolina Person County

On this the 3rd day of January 1843, personally appeared before me Clement H Jordan a Justice of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for the County above named, Aann [sic] Wade a resident of said County aged seventy-two [?, written over and illegible] Years last February, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 7th, 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows: That she is the widow of Robert Wade late of the County of Person and formerly of the County of Halifax Virginia (who removed from the County of Halifax to the County of Person after the War) who was a Lieutenant in the Army as she is in hopes to prove by the testimony of one of the soldiers who served with him; she is of opinion that he enlisted for the whole war and has often heard him say he left it without even getting the pay then due him or getting his discharge from the fact that he was off on a recruiting expedition, she thinks in South Carolina, when peace was made. She is unable to specify the particular service that her said husband rendered or any battle except the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781]; but the facts in relation to battles, officers – Commanding officers, with many incidents all going to prove his services she will be able to establish by other testimony. She further declares that she was married to the said Robert Wade on the 16th day of September 1789: that her husband the aforesaid Robert Wade died in October 1820; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but that the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794; viz. at the time above stated. Her said husband never drew a pension from the fact that he always said he had done nothing more for his Country then the all to have done, and considered it a condescension to demand it; but, reversal of fortune has influenced this declarant to submit her just claims to the Department: She has made other attempts but those who had the matter in hand heretofore have failed to sufficiently investigate the subject to elicit the proper testimony and thus the declarant has been kept from that remuneration to which she thinks herself justly entitled according to the act of Congress in such cases made and provided. She further states upon her oath that her husband died leaving nine children; that she is now and ever has remained the widow of her said husband Robert Wade. This declarant further states upon her oath that from old age and bodily infirmity she is not able to attend Court.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and date as above written before

S/ C. W. Jordan, JP

S/ Ann Wade



[fn p. 14: On January 26, 1843 in Person County North Carolina, Elizabeth Lawson, 70, gave testimony that she was present at the wedding of Ann Wade to Robert Wade; that they were married by John Womack Esquire at the house of Drewry Allin; that she cannot say precisely when they were married but that she herself was married on March 4th, 1790 and she knows that Robert and Ann Wade were married before she was.]

[fn p. 18]

State of Virginia Halifax County: On this the 19th day of January 1843 appeared before me James S Blackwell one of the justices of the peace in and for the County above named, William White a resident of said County aged eighty years, a Revolutionary pensioner who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath state that he was acquainted with Robert Wade late of the County of Person and State of North Carolina who was a soldier of the revolution and who at the time of entering the service was a resident of this County; That he was at the time a Lieutenant but in whose company he is not certain; that they met at Captain Peter Rogers in this County and marched from there to Hillsboro in North Carolina; that in a day or 2 after their arrival at Hillsboro, Robert Wade came to him in the aforementioned town and told him farewell stating that his Company had to march before his, the said White's would; but, that he supposed they would meet again before they got home, he is of opinion that Wade's Company went on towards Guilford Court house; and the Company to which he the said White belonged marched on as soon as they got ready, by Rugeley's Mills to Stono where they had a battle [June 20, 1779]. After the war had ended he states that he had many conversations with Robert Wade and always found his narratives both in relation to circumstances and persons correct. He and Robert Wade were raised in about twelve miles of each other that they were acquainted from their childhood. That he knew said Wade to be a man of veracity, he cannot say precisely the length of time he served, but is of opinion that he served through most of the War. He further states that the march from Rogers to Hillsboro was as he thinks in the year 1780 or 1781.

S/ William White, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and date above written in presence of  
S/ James S Blackwell, JP

[fn p. 19]

State of Virginia Halifax County: To wit

On this 19th day of January 1843, appeared before me William L Owen, one of the Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid, John Fitts<sup>1</sup> of said County aged eighty years, and a Revolutionary Pensioner, who being first duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath depose and say that he was well acquainted with Robert Wade late of Person County and State of North Carolina who was a Revolutionary Soldier. That the said Robert Wade was in service at the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781], of which he has a distinct recollection – that he is of opinion that he continued in the whole campaign to the South, but has no distinct recollection of seeing him at any other place except perhaps, at Savannah – he cannot say who his Captain was but thinks it probable Captain Byrd Wall was as they lived in the vicinity of each other; and he thinks that Colonel James Saunders was his Colonel. Of the fact of the service he is absolutely certain.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and date above written  
S/ Wm L. Owen, JP  
S/ John Fitts, X his mark

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<sup>1</sup> [John Fitts W9439](#)

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State of Virginia County of Halifax: SS

Be it known that before me James M Chappell a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid Personally appeared Andrew Toryan<sup>2</sup> a Revolutionary Soldier and Pensioner (aged 83 years) who being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following Deposition to it

That he was well acquainted with Robert Wade late of Person County North Carolina and formally a resident of the County of Halifax Virginia. That he knew him to have been a soldier of the Revolution, the precise time of his enlistment as the name of the recruiting officer he does not now distinctly recollect but thinks it was about the year 77 or 78 and that the name of the officer under whom he enlisted was one Captain Bates. That he had frequently heard the said Robert Wade speak of his tour of service – that immediately after his enlistment he went to Savannah in Georgia – & also to Charleston South Carolina & that he had heard him speak of the various movements of the Army in the South – many of the particulars of which from length of years have been forgotten.

That he further believes that said Robert Wade was an officer during a part of his service – which he thinks was two years, the grade he does not recollect – but that he saw him on his return he was in full uniform and equipped as an officer.

Sworn to and subscribed this 6th day of August 1843 before me

S/ Jas. M. Chappell, JP

S/ Andrew Toryan, X his mark

[fn p. 23]

State of Virginia Halifax County: On this 22nd day of February 1844 personally appeared before me James M Chappell a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, Andrew Toryan a revolutionary Pensioner and a resident of the County above named aged eighty-four who being first duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath state that in addition to what he deposed in a deposition last year in relation to the revolutionary services of Robert Wade late of Person County North Carolina and formally of this County, the husband of Ann Wade of Person County, who was an officer in the Revolutionary War and that he as certainly served a tour in that war as any man who went from the County of Halifax. That he lived within one mile of said Wade nothing separating them but a small River (the Dan). That he knew the time of his enlistment and the time of his return; That he returned with his Regiment [paper torn, text missing] on. He is certain that he was absent two years at least for he was so intimate with the said Robert Wade that his absence from the neighborhood was as strongly impressed upon his mind as if he had been a brother. He further states that he now thinks the said Robert Wade enlisted under some of the Continental officers whose names he does not remember. He further states that he is of opinion that the said Wade was an Ensign.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and date above written before me.

S/ Jas. M. Chappell, JP

S/ Andrew Toryan, X his mark

[fn p. 2: copy of a marriage bond issued to Robert Wade and David Allen in the County of Caswell, North Carolina on September 16, 1789 to secure the marriage of Robert Wade to Ann Wade.]

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<sup>2</sup> Sic, Andrew Torian FPA S17154