

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of George R. Walker R11046      Lucy Walker    VA  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 7 Feb 2015.

State of Kentucky Johnson county SS

on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 1844 personally appeared before the subscriber one of the acting and qualified Justices of the peace in and for the county of Johnson and State of Kentucky Lucy Walker a resident of the County of Johnson and State aforesaid aged seventy five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the acts of Congress passed July 7<sup>th</sup> 1838 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 1842 granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the revolutionary war That she is the widow of George R Walker who was a Lieutenant in the army of the revolution and was commissioned a lieutenant in the year 1777 and was discharged from service in the year 1781 he then lived in Princessann county [sic: Princess Anne, now part of Virginia Beach] and state of Virginia he was a militia officer in the eastern part of Virginia near where he was born and raised in Princessann county Virginia She states that he rendered service on the sea as a soldier and in the state of North Carolina which service she is not well able to describe as she was a long time engaged in the defence of his country during the revolutionary struggle as she has been informed by her husband and others acquainted with his services, but the services for which she claims is during the period he served as a Lieutenant in the Militia of the state of Virginia she states that she was married to her husband George R Walker on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January 1788 in Warren County and state of Virginia at her fathers house, Colonel John West. She states that her husband George R Walker departed this life in the county of Bedford and state of Virginia on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1822 and was interred on his own farm in the same County she states that she came with her daughter to the State of Kentucky and county of Floyd but now Johnson a new county having been made and has lived here thirteen years last December she states that she was not married to her husband George R Walker prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz at the time above stated she further states that she has continued to be a widow ever since the death of her husband George R Walker and is now a widow she further declares that she has no Bible Record of her marriage or of the death of her husband but she believes that the record of the families death and marriages is kept and in the hand writing of her husband is a small book made for that purpose which is herewith exhibited and now on the back marked A which contains the record of the marriage of his first wife whose name was Judith and contains the record of her death and the record of the date of the marriage which took place with my husband and myself which is in his own hand writing the book spoken of has been in my possession long before my husbands death and has been ever since also herewith exhibited a part of my husbands written experience to the Methodist Episcopal church which is in his own hand writing in which he speaks of our marriage and gives the date and he also speaks of the services in the War of the revolution which is now marked B [not found] all the foregoing statements of my husbands services I have from his own speaking and others on that subject      Lucy herXmark Walker

[15 Jan 1845] The deposition of Nicholas Hackworth of Johnson county Ky after being duly sworn deposes and saith that he has been well and personally acquainted with Lucy Walker and her husband George R Walker ever since the year 1818 only being acquainted with the said George R Walker from that time until his death he states that it was always stated in the neighbourhood in which the said George R Walker lived that he was a Lieutenant in the war of the revolution he states that he heard a man by the name of Major West who he was well acquainted with speak of being with George R Walker in the service of the revolution speaking of being in the Scrimages and engagements with the British at the Dismal Swamps and at West Point [in King William County VA] and at Norfolk I have seen a commission among the papers of George R Walker which was a commission to the said George R Walker as Lieutenant the commission bare date in the year 1779 as a militia officer which Commission

was signed as I now recollect by Patrick Henry Govener [6 Jul 1776 - 1 Jun 1779]. he further states that he seen a discharge to the said George R Walker which was a discharge as a Lieutenant the length of time of the service named in the discharge he does not recollect he states that the last he seen of the commission one of his [Nicholas Hackworth's] children being the grandchild of the said Lucy Walker had it at school for a theme paper and my best recollection is that he seen one of my children have the discharge for a theme paper and my opinion is they were both destroyed in that way I was the teacher of the school at where they were destroyed my Recollection is that the discharge was a discharge for services rendered in the time of the revolution but am not able to give the exact date of the discharge he states that he heard the said George R Walker speaking of one engagement that that he was in in the dismissal swamps where the captain divided his troops where one part was at one end at a crossway and the others at the other end and had a conflict or engagement with the British where there was a great loss of the enemy.

[signed] Nicholas Hackworth

[Transcribed by the Clerk of Princess Anne County from original records]

At a Court for Princess Anne County the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 1777.

The following gentlemen are recommended to His Excellency the Governor as proper persons to serve as officers of the Militia in this County, to wit; Thomas Reynolds Walker to be County Lieutenant, William Wishart to be Colonel, John Ackiss Lieutenant Colonel, John Thoroughgood Jr Major, Samuel Thoroughgood, John Cannon, Henry Cornick and Thomas Brock Captains, George Jamieson Jun'r., Francis Ackiss, Jonathan Woodhouse, John Cornick and Thomas Walker Lieutenants, Thomas Haynes, William Dawley Jun'r., Jos'o. Woodhouse, Samuel Cornick, Cornelius Henley, George Reynolds Walker and Tully Moore Ensigns.

At a Court held for Princess Anne County, September 11<sup>th</sup> day 1777.

The following persons are recommended to His Excellency the Governor as fit persons to serve as officers in the Militia of this County, to wit; James Nimmo as first Lieutenant, John Smith second & Charles Moseley, Ensign, under Capt. John Kenline, Thomas Haynes second Lieutenant & Thomas Scarborough Thoroughgood, Ensign under Capt. Samuel Thoroughgood, Tully Moseley first Lieutenant, William Dawley second & Reuben Williamson Ensign under Capt John Cannon, John Woodhouse second Lieutenant & John Kelly Jun'r Ensign under Capt. William Woodhouse, Samuel Cornick first Lieutenant, Adam Keeling second & Isaac Tolewine Ensign under Capt. Henry Cornick, Cornelius Henley second Lieutenant & John Bonney Jun'r ensign under Capt. James Henley, George Reynolds Walker second Lieutenant & William Keeling Jun'r. ensign under Capt. Thomas Brock, Dennis Dawley Jun'r. Second Lieutenant & Tully Moore Ensign under Capt. Henry Harrison, James Tooley first Lieutenant, Caleb Old second & John Wiggins Ensign under Capt. George Durant Corprew, James Tenant second Lieutenant & Thomas Wishart Ensign under Capt. William Robinson.

At a Court held for Princess Anne County, January the 8<sup>th</sup> day 1778.

Charles Moseley, Cornelius Henley, William Keeling, Thomas Wisart, Tully Moore Ensigns, and George Reynolds Walker a Lieutenant in the Militia of this County took the oath prescribed by a late Act of Assembly.

Floyd County Kentucky Apr. 15 1846

Dear Sir, I take my pen to inform you that My Mothers agent David R. Harris has left this country in a clandestine manner – he moved off a few nights ago in the night with all of his family without letting any person know his intention – I am inclined to think he intends to act the rascal. I wish you to pay no farther attention to any of his communications or any of his agents except My Mothers family or some one that we may direct – I have read your friendly communications and have sent you some money through the agency of Harris for your trouble – I am a cousin to your wife & my Mother is the wife of George R. Walker Bro to Thos Walker Grandfather to your Lady – My Mother is reduced to indigent circumstances & would be glad to get what is coming to my father if she could – Harris has been trying for it some time & has gone off at Last in this manner be pleased in future to direct your Letters to me or

my Mother Lucy Walker or her agent such as we may direct – I also sent a conditional bond upon Mother & myself if you should succeed – I write this to put you upon your guard – My Mother & family Joine me in Love to all of our princessann relations – Yours very Respectfully John W. Walker

State of Virginia, County of Norfolk to wit:

Personally appeared before me I P Biddle justice of the peace for the County of Norfolk, in the state of Virginia on this day, Mr John Biddle aged 81 years a gentleman of undoubted character and credit, residing in the said county of Norfolk, who after having been sworn upon the Holy Evangelist, stated as follows: That he was well acquainted with Mr George R Walker, the husband of Mrs Lucy Walker, now residing in Kentucky, to whom he was a near neighbor during the Revolution, and that he knew him to act as a Lieutenant in the army under Capt Thomas Brock, and served in that capacity from the period of his qualification January 8 1778 to April 1783 having often seen him in the discharge of his duties as an officer, and he furthermore states that he was recognized as an officer of ability and Courage. For the truth of the above statement I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of August 1846. [signed] I. P. Biddle

NOTE: On 13 July 1844 Delaware Walker, about 40, and John W. Walker, about 48, certified the family record transcribed below.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 1782. George Reynolds Walker, son of Thomas R and Sarah Walker, was married to Judith Haynes, Daughter of Major Erasmus Haynes of Princess Anne Cty  
Monday 3<sup>d</sup> Nov. 1783 Sarah there daughter was born And died March 18<sup>th</sup> 1784.  
Friday 17 Dec'r. George Reynolds their son was born at 9 oclock at night.  
Tuesday 17 octo'r. 1786 Erasmus their son was born and died aged 12 days.  
July 20<sup>th</sup> 1787 Judith wife to George Reynolds Walker departed this life Aged 22 years. Her death was much lamented by all who knew her. She was a very affectionate wife, a tender indulgent mother a kind mistress & a benevolent Friend –  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January 1788 in the evening George Reynolds Walker was Married to Lucy West, Daughter of Colo. John West of Blunt point Warwick Virginia.  
Thursday 25 February 1791 Thomas West their son was born and died aged 9 days.  
Monday 28 November 1793 Elizabeth Seaton their daughter was born at 8 oclock in the morning.  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 1796 John West their son was born at 8 oclock in the evening.  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 1798 Thomas son was born at 4[?] oclock in the morning.  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> october 1803 Delaware West their son was born at 3 oclock afternoon.  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 1805 Louisa Barlow their Daughter was born at 3 oclock in the morning.  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Jany 1808 Charlotte West their daughter was born at ½ after 12 meridian  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 1799 Hannah, daughter of My Negro Milly, was born.  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 1805, Lucy daughter of Milly, was born –  
Sunday 23 Nov. 1807. Henry son of Hannah, was born at 11 ocl. at Night  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Jany 1820 Charles, son of Hanner was born at 6 oclock in the evening  
4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1822 G. R. Walker Sr departed this life  
23<sup>rd</sup> of August 1832 Louisa B Walker daughter of G R & Lucy Walker departed this life  
Elizabeth S. Robertson wife to Mills Robertson and daughter of George R. Walker & Louisa his wife decsd Nov'r 6<sup>th</sup> 1825 in the evening twilight  
On the 29<sup>th</sup> day January 1835 John W Walker & Elizabeth Hackworth was married  
1813 April 16<sup>th</sup> My Mare polly brought a Horse colt called Spiller.  
1815 May 6<sup>th</sup> Polly brought a mare colt, called Lady

A typed summary adds the following: “George Reynolds Walker, son of Thomas R. and his wife, Sarah, was born April 3, 1760 in Princess Ann County, Virginia, and lived there at the time of the Revolutionary War. His father died January 28, 1788 and his mother died in 1792. It was stated that the

Reynolds in his name was from his grandfather on his mother's side.... It was stated also that after the war, said George R. Walker was promoted to rank of Captain.... [The widow] died April 30, 1847 in Johnson County, Kentucky.

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Addendum to George R. Walker R11046

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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

At a Court held for Princess Anne County at Kemps Landing the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 1783.

The following Gentlemen are recommended to the Governor as proper persons to serve as officers of the militia in this County, to wit; Thomas Walker Major, Jno. Lewis Ensign, in Capt. Harrison's Company, Lem'l. Cornick first & Adam Keeling second Lieutenants in Captain Henry Cornick's Company, Thos. Keeling second Lieutenant, & Henry Woodhouse Ensign in Capt. Walker's Company, Jno. Valentine first & Chas. Sayer second Lieutenant in Capt. Jamisons Conpy, Thos. Old Capt, Tully Moseley first & Nathan Munder second Lieutenants & Jonathan Roberts Ensign, J's Nimmo as Capt., Chas. Moseley first & Jno. P. Biddle second Lieutenant & Jno. Smith Ensign, Jonathan Woodhouse as Capt., Dennis Dawley first & Jno. Kelly second Lieutenant & Joel Simmons Ensign, Amos Weeks as Capt, Cornelius Henley first, Geo. R. Walker second Lieutenant & Js. Henley Ensign, Caleb Old first Lieutenant, Henry Woodard second & Jno. Gisborn Ensign.

I, John J. Burroughs Clerk of the County Court of Princess Anne do hereby certify that the foregoing are true and correct extracts from the records of the said County Court – In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said County Court, at the Courthouse of the said County this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 1850, in the 74<sup>th</sup> Year of the Commonwealth. J. J. Burroughs C.C.

State of Virginia: to wit

Personally appeared before me this day I. P. Biddle a justice of the peace for the County of Norfolk, in the State of Virginia, Mr John Biddle aged 81 years a gentleman of undoubted character and credit residing in the said County of Norfolk; and after being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist deposed as follows: That he knew Mr George R Walker, and that he was a near and intimate neighbor of his; that he knew him to be an Officer during the Revolutionary War in the County of Princess Anne, having frequently seen him engaged in the discharge of his duties as such, and was recognised as an Officer of ability and courage, and that he continued as an officer, from the time of his appointment, to the close of said War. For the truth of the above statement, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this the fourteenth day of March, one thousand Eight Hudred and Forty Six. J. P. Biddle J. P.

Claim rejected on the [undeciphered word] that the evidence proves the Claimant to have been a Militia officer [Virginia allowed bounty land only for service in the Continental or state forces.]

1850 Sept. 17 Rejected. Walker a Militia Officer.