

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Francis Welchel (Welchel) R11300 Judah or Judith fn35SC
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[The widow's claim in this file has been lost. That only evidence as to its possible contents are reflected in the various letters from the War Department, one of which reads as follows:

December 31, 1924

Miss Mary Jefferies,
Gaffney, South Carolina

Madam:

I have to advise you that from the records of this Bureau it appears that Juda or Judith, the widow of Francis Welchel of Georgia, applied for a pension (R.11300) on account of her husband's services as a soldier of Colonel Brandon's South Carolina Regiment, War of the Revolution.

They had children, the only name on record being that of John Welchel, a resident of Hall County, Georgia in 1854.

The claim was not allowed owing to lack of proof of military service of six months as required by the pension laws, and there are no further data on file as the papers in the claim were sent on July 8, 1856, to the Honorable Caleb Brown, House of Representatives, and were never returned.

This Bureau is unable to furnish the history of a soldier of the Revolution unless a claim for pension or bounty land has been made on account of his services and a capital search of the records fails to show such a claim on file on account of the services of Samuel Welchel, or of John Lusk and Robert Elmore as described by you, or of a Frank Welchel. The only similar name being that of the above noted Frances Welchel.

Respectfully,

Winfield Scott, Commissioner

[fn p. 2: power of attorney dated November 16, 1854, given in Hall County Georgia by John Welchel son of Francis Welchel to pursue the claim of his father for a pension.]