

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William White R11452

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State of Georgia Walker County: On this 19th day of July 1847 personally appeared before the Justices of the Inferior Court (now sitting in the Town of Lafayette) in and for the County aforesaid, Newton White a resident Citizen of said County, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the amount of Pension which accrued and failed you to William White (his Father) under the act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832, he further Declares that he is a son and heir at law of the said William White, who was a soldier of the war of the Revolution and served as herein stated, as he has heard him state in his lifetime. --

That he entered the service of the United States in Union District South Carolina, under Captain Joseph McJunkin<sup>2</sup> in October 1779 in Colonel Brandon's Regiment and was marched to the Ten Mile Branch where the Army lay as a reinforcement to guard the City of Charleston until in March following when he returned home to Union District again. Immediately after which he entered the service again as a volunteer under Captain Auterson [sic, this is probably a reference to Samuel Otterson<sup>3</sup>] he thinks was his next Captain, again in Colonel Brandon's Regiment & he continued to serve under him until his Captain Auterson was promoted to Major when Captain Avery took the Command as Captain under whom he continued to serve until the spring of 1781 as he thinks when he entered the service either by enlisting or volunteering he cannot state which under Captain Palmer or Captain Jolly [Benjamin Jolly] he does not recollect which as a Dragoon, under whom he served until after the Battle at the Eutaw Springs, sometime after which he thinks he was under Captain Hughs [sic, Hughes], still as a Dragoon, the periods of service he rendered under those men he cannot give though he served under them all, he thinks the most of his service under Captain Hughs was against the Indians & Tories after the surrender of Cornwallis, all of his service was rendered in Colonel Brandon's Regiment, he has heard his father speak of receiving Discharges from the service, but what has become of them he cannot state, he was in the Battle at the Eutaw Springs, and he thinks some other Battles though he does not recollect them distinct enough to say what ones they were, he also received a wound in from the stroke of the sword on the head, which was plain to be seen and felt up to the time of his

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<sup>1</sup> The page numbers of the digital images in this file as assigned by Footnote.com are nonsensical.

<sup>2</sup> [Joseph McJunkin S18118](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Samuel Otterson S25344](#)

death.

He further declares that his father the said William White Departed this life in Walker County Georgia on this 7th day of October 1844 leaving surviving him no widow, but the present applicant Together with six other lawful legatees (Namely) Thomas White, Mary who intermarried with Samuel Dobbs, Elizabeth who intermarried with Supre Anderson, Ann who intermarried with Thomas Anderson, William White and Elijah White, the only lawful representatives and heirs at law of the said William White Deceased, all of whom continue to survive. And this Declarant further states that the reason the said William White his father did not apply for a pension in his lifetime, was that many years before his Death, he measurably and almost entirely lost his reasoning Faculties, thought by his friends to be occasioned by the wound on his head, his incompetency however rendered him incapable of making a correct statement of his Services, or of being sworn to any fact for about fifteen years before his death, and we did not know that a Declaration could be filed by any one else for him, nor did Declarant even though after his death that his legatees were entitled to anything under the pension walls until very recently.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court day & year above  
S/ Jesse P. Freeman, Clerk S/ Newton White, X his mark

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State of South Carolina Pickens District: On this 27th day of July 1847 Personally appeared before me John Nance an acting Magistrate in and for the District aforesaid William Grant<sup>4</sup> aged eighty-five years a Citizen of Anderson District South Carolina & a Pensioner of the United States, at the Rate of \$170 per annum, and after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath Declare that he was well acquainted with William White, the Father of Newton White who is now an applicant for a Pension in right of his said Father William White under act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832. He states that in October 1779 he and the said William White was Drafted in Union District South Carolina and about the first of November following they were placed under Captain Joseph McJunkin in Colonel Brandon's Regiment & took up a line of march & was marched to the ten mile Branch near Charleston and there lay as a reinforcement to guard the City of Charleston until the 10th of March 1780 at which time they were dismissed and returned home, and some short time after they got home to Union the said William White again entered the service under Captain Auterson & continued under him until his Captain Auterson was promoted to Major and Captain Avery took command of Captain Auterson's Company & White continued some time under him he cannot state how long though he is quiet sure that White must have served under those two Captains Auterson and Avery at least twelve months this service was also in Colonel Brandon's Regiment affiant did not serve under Auterson & Avery with White though he was in the service in the same Regiment all the time.

He further states that he remained acquainted with the said White from the Revolution up to about the year 1842 when he removed from Anderson District South Carolina to Walker County Georgia where he died some 3 years ago as he has understood. He further states that for some ten years or more before he removed from Anderson District, he seemed to have measurably lost his Reason.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day & date above  
S/ John Nance, Mag. PD S/ William Grant, X his mark

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<sup>4</sup> [William Grant W1757](#)

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State of Georgia are Walker County: This day personally appeared before me Amos Griffin a Justice of the peace in and for the State & County aforesaid Isaac White a Citizen of said County aged eighty-two years, and a highly credible witness and one whose statements are entitled to full faith and credit, and after being duly sworn as the law directs, declares upon his oath that he is the Brother to William White who died in this County on the 7th day of October 1844, and who was the father of Newton White of this County and who is an applicant for the amount of pension which accrued to the said William for services rendered in the War of the Revolution --

He further states that his Brother the said William White Deceased, entered the War of the Revolution in Union District South Carolina at a tolerable early period of the war and was in the service nearly all the time until the close of the same, he knows he served under Colonel David Hopkins & Colonel Brandon and General Pickens, he also states that the said William was married to Elizabeth Nixon in and during the time of the Revolutionary War by whom he had one son & 3 daughters, namely Thomas White, Anna who married Thomas Anderson, Mary, who married Samuel Dobbs, but is now a widow and Elizabeth who married Supre Anderson, but Elizabeth is now dead, the other 3 are still surviving. He further states that Williams wife the said Elizabeth died about sixty years ago in Union District South Carolina, and about 6 or 8 months thereafter he the said William married Julia Pucket by whom he had three sons namely William White, Newton White the present applicant and Elijah White all of whom are now surviving except Elijah who is recently dead. He states that he was not present at either of said marriage is, though he knows they both did take place, that he was living with the said William his Brother at the time of his last marriage & aided in keeping house for him while he went off to get married which was some distance from home, and he continued to live with him for a year afterwards, he was also present at the Death of his first Wife Elizabeth & knows she was his lawful wife he further states that the said Julia his second wife continued to live with the said William as his lawful wife until her death which took place in the latter part of the year 1820, and that the above named children are all the children and the only children ever born in wedlock to the said William White Deceased, and that they are all living except as above stated, also that the said William departed this life on the 7th day of October 1844, leaving no widow surviving him.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of March 1854

S/ Amos Griffin, JP

S/ Isaac White, X his mark

[fn p. On March 6, 1854 in Walker County, Georgia, John White, 53, a nephew of William White gave a supporting affidavit as to the family of William White.]

[fn p. 262: Charles F. Bruckner, Administrator of William White Deceased, petitioned the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States for a pension -- the petition is not dated.]

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State of Georgia Murray County: This day personally appeared before me the undersigned an acting Magistrate in and for the County and State aforesaid John Hames<sup>5</sup> a Respectable & aged Citizen of said County aged 106 or 7 years and a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$40 per annum under attack of 7th of June 1832, and after being duly sworn as the law directs, declares upon his oath that he was intimately and personally acquainted with William White the Father of Newton White of Walker County of this State, and who is an applicant for a Pension on

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<sup>5</sup> [John Hames S16409](#)

account of his Father's service in the War of the Revolution, he further states that the said William White served in the said War in Colonel Brandon's Regiment he affiant served with the said White under Captain Jolly as a horseman one or two tours also he served with him one Tour under Captain Palmer but from old age and bodily infirmity and consequent loss of Memory he cannot describe the precise date & duration of those tours of service though he knows it was in the heat of the War and in the two or three last years of the war, he also states that the said White served under Captain Hughs though he does not recollect to have served with him under Captain Hughs. That he served in the same Regiment which was Colonel Brandon's Regiment and saw him often in the service he further states that the said William White rendered other service in said Regiment which he cannot describe, he Recollects well that he the said White was wounded by a cut of a sword on the side of the head, he also states that the said White and himself both settled in Union district South Carolina after the War, when they lived both in time of the war and afterwards, that they often met after the close of the war and conversed together upon the scenes which transpired and which they witnessed together in the war, they were acquainted for many years thereafter, and he further states that the said White in his old age became somewhat delirious and to a great extent lost his reason, he also States that if there was any other William White who served in Colonel Brandon's Regiment he did not know him or now does not recollect him.

S/ John Hames, O his mark

Sworn to & subscribed before made this 11th day of April 1857

S/ C. B. Turcker, JP

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State of Tennessee Polk County: On this 16th Day of August 1854 personally came before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County John White<sup>6</sup> a Revolutionary Soldier, aged about 100 years a resident citizen of this County an applicant for a Pension and a highly Credible and respectable Old Gentlemen, and a Man of Truth and Veracity, and after being duly sworn declares upon his oath that he is the Brother of William White Deceased who died in Walker County Georgia in the year 1844 and who is the father of Newton White who is an applicant for an amount of pension which accrued & fell due to his Father the said William White Deceased. He further states that his Brother the said William White deceased was in the War of the Revolution the most of his time from the beginning of the War to the ending of it -- they lived in Union District South Carolina at the time, and the said William volunteered into the service at an early period of the war, and served several tours witness cannot state how many before affiant entered the service affiant does not recollect ever to have served but one Tour with the said William and that Tour was under Captain Hughs, which was of 3 months duration, and is described in his application for a Pension, he knows his brother served under Captain Joseph McJunkin, also under Captain Auterson, Captain Avery Captain Jolly and Captain Palmer, he affiant was well acquainted with all of those captains and knows his Brother the said William went out into the service under them all but from the great lapse of time, and that number of Tours of Service he cannot describe them separately with such accuracy as to be willing to swear to such Description though he can't with certainty swear that his brother did serve under all those men, and he knows called of this service was rendered in Colonel Brandon's Regiment. He further states, that his brother the said William White at one time entered the service as an enlisted Soldier under Colonel David Hopkins and was mounted on a large grey horse as the

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<sup>6</sup> [John White S3539](#)

service was cavalry service and they started from home to go to Savannah as was then understood but how long he served & when that service commenced affiant will not undertake to state upon his oath, though he knows it was in that service.

S/ John White, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and date above written after the same was read aloud to affiant and I him understood

S/ Michael C. Higdon, JP

[fn p. 1530: certificate dated February 12, 1855 from the South Carolina Comptroller general's office showing payments made to a William White for services rendered in the militia during the revolutionary war.]