

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jesse Davis R13608      Rebecca Davis      VA  
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State of South Carolina }  
Greenville District      } Ss:

On this 26th day of July A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty-six, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace, within and for the District and State aforesaid, Rebecca Davis, aged 55 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Jessee Davis deceased, who was a revolutionary Soldier, and who applied for a revolutionary pension under the act of 7th June 1832 [application not found], and whose claim was suspended less than six months service being shown, but she believes three months service is proved and admitted by the Department [of War], and she refers to the evidence now on file in said pension claim, to support this application for bounty land under the act of 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1855, and the act of 14th of May 1856, amendatory thereof.

She further states that she was married to the said Jessee Davis, in Greenville S.C. on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 1836, by one Louis H. Hickey a Justis of the peace of Greenville Dist, S.C. and that her name before her said marriage was Rebecca Russell, that her said husband died at Greenville S.D. on the 21th day of Dec.; 1851, and that she is now a widow.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855, and the act approved May 14th 1856, amendatory thereof. And she farther declares that she has not received or applied for bounty land under this or any other act of Congress.

Rebecca herXmark Davis

[The following is a printed form with handwritten entries in italics.]  
STATE OF *South Carolina*, COUNTY OF *Greenville*, ss:

On this *Sixth* day of *October*, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-*six* personally appeared before me *W A McDaniel Clerk of Circuit Court* the same being a court of record within and for the county and State aforesaid, Rebecca Davis aged *Eighty two* years, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the pension provided by Acts of Congress granting pensions to widows: That she is the widow of *Jesse Davis* who *was enrolled* under the name of *Jesse Davis* at *Virginia*, on the [blank] day of [blank], A.D. 177 , in *Captain Williams Compay* in the war of *the Revolution*, who *died* on the [blank] day of *November*, A.D. 1851, who bore at the time of his death the rank of [blank], in [blank]; that she was married under the name of *Rebecca Russell* to said *Jesse Davis* on the [blank] day of *October*, A.D. 1835, by *Lewis H Dickey, Magistrate at Greenville SC*, there being no legal barrier to such marriage; that neither she nor her husband had been previously married – *Jesse Davis had been previously married and his firs wife Died about 1825 and Left no children by first wife* that she has to the present date remained his widow; that he, the said *Jesse Davis. Left miner children by me* left no minor child or children by either herself or any former wife; that she has not in any manner been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States; that *no* prior application has been filed; that she hereby appoints *R. S. & A. P. Lacey Washington D.C.* her attorney to prosecute her claim; that her residence is No. *Greenville County street, State of South Carolina* and that her post office address is *Marietta South Carolina*      *Rebecca herXmark Davis*

NOTE: On 29 Jan 1877 Madison Odum stated that he knew Jesse Davis in his first wife's lifetime and that she was buried in the "burring ground at tyger church," that he worked for Jesse Davis while he was a widower, and that Jesse Davis was buried in the burying ground at Tyger Church.