

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Burnett R1473

Moley [Molly?]

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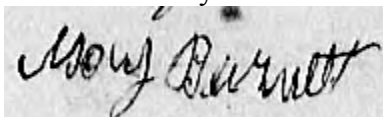
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State of Georgia Clinch County: Before me Richard H. Burkhalter an acting justice of the peace in and for said County and State aforesaid personally came Moley Burnett a resident of the State and County aforesaid aged 73 years who after being duly sworn in common form of law Deposeth and on her oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by an act of Congress of the United States passed on the fourth day of July 1832 granting to certain widows whose husbands served in the war of the revolution in behalf of the United States against Great Britain that she was the wife and now the widow of John Burnett who formerly resided in North Carolina Onslow County who was a private Soldier in the revolutionary war and that she was married to her aforesaid husband John Burnett in the State of Georgia and County of Burke and (deponent) thinks on the 24th day of October 1802 and he died in the County of on the 17th day of April 1826 in the State of Georgia that her aforesaid husband John Burnett has often told her that he had a regular discharge from said service that he the said John Burnett moved shortly after to the State of Georgia leaving his discharge with a man by the name of Spicer who was to collect his service money that Spicer died shortly after and that her aforesaid husband John Burnett never got his discharge thereafter from said Spicer nor his money deponent does not know whether said Spicer was an officer in said Army or not and that her aforesaid husband never received any pay in his lifetime as deponent knows of for his revolutionary services and that she is on her part have never made any application for her aforesaid pension and she does hereby relinquish all claims hereunto before made for this her pension except the present one.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this second day of May 1854.

S/ Moley Burnett

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Moley Burnett". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted to the right.

S/ Richard H. Burkhalter, JP

[Note: information in the file: John Burnett married a October 24, 1802 in Burke County, Georgia, Moley or Moley Shephard; her date of birth and place of birth is not shown; her parents are not named; they were married at the home of William Wallace by Esquire Lowry;

there is a family record set forth on fn pp. 5-6 which appears to set forth the following information regarding the children of the veteran and his wife, Moley:

Joseph Shepard Burnett born January __ 1805

Mary Ann Burnett born June 30, 1807

Sarah Vinson Burnett born October 24, 1809

Livena Caroline Burnett born February 23, 1812

Elijer Eveline Burnett born February 5, ????

John Ripley Burnett born February 29, 1816

Restus Decatur Burnett born February 27, 1818

Winfield Scott Burnett born January 21, 1821, died May 27, 1832

Polly Ann Burnett born April 15, 1824]

[fn p. 53: On 28th April 1854 in Lowndes County, Ga., Elijah Beesley of Lowndes County, Georgia, gave testimony that he was present at the marriage of John Burnett to Molsey Shephard at the house of William Wallace by Esquire Lowry in 1802; "And the said deponent further says on oath that he often heard the said John Burnett speak of & tell of his services in the war of the Revolution against Great Britain; and that they at that time lived in the County of Onslow, North Carolina, and that Captain Amos Love, the Captain under whom he sometimes served, also resided there. And this deponent further says that he has often heard it said by other persons who had a good right to know some of whom were Revolutionary Soldiers, that the said John Burnett served in the said war against Great Britain – and that said John Burnett first commenced service in said war at the age of 14 or 15 years as a Teamster, and afterwards as a soldier. And deponent's own father who was a Revolutionary Soldier in the War against Britain was one of the persons to whom he has heard speak of the said John Burnett's services in said war."]

[fn p. 49]

State of Georgia To the Honorable the President and the Members of Council, now sitting in Augusta for the purpose of granting Lands in the two new Counties of Franklin and Washington.

The Petition of John Burnett a citizen of the State aforesaid,
Sheweth,

That your Petitioner is entitled to 287 1/2 acres of land, as a bounty for his services, pursuant to the certificate here unto annexed: That your Petitioner is desirous of taking out the said Lands in the County of Washington

May it therefore please your Honorable Board to grant your Petitioner 287 1/2 acres of Land in the County of Washington on the right aforesaid, and on his complying with the Terms mentioned in the late land Act; and your petitioner will pray.

S/ Jno Burnitt

State of Georgia first Battalion, BC No 82

This is to certify that John Burnitt has steadfastly done his duty from the time of passing and Act at Augusta, to wit, on the 20th of August, 1781, until the total Expulsion of the British from this State; and the said John Burnett cannot, to my knowledge or belief, be convicted of plundering or distressing the Country; and is therefore, under the said Act, entitled to a Bounty of 250 acres of good Land, free from taxes or 10 years.

Given under my hand, at Pigeon Hill this ninth day of March 1784

S/ Jas. McNiel Cole

[fn p. 69 et. seq. Erroneously contains the pension application of John Burnett of New York whose pension file number is S44717.]