

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Burnett R1475

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State of South Carolina }
Spartenburgh [sic: Spartanburg] District }
On this 8th Day of June 1846 personally appeared before the Court of ordinary for Spartinburgh District South Carolina Sarah Burnett, a resident of South Carolina in Spartenburgh District, aged 83 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 act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 and 3 March 1843 & 17 June 1844 granting pensions to certain widows: That she is the widow of John Burnett; who was a soldier of the Virginia Continental line in the war of the Revolution, and as such served the united states against the common anemy for the terme of Two years; that he resided in Mecklenburg County, in the state of Virginia when he entred the service, the officirs under whome he served not known by this Deponant; She further Declares that she was married to the said John Burnett sumtime in the year 1780 and that her husband the aforesaid John Burnett Died on the 22^d Day of May 1809: that she was married to him previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four viz at the time above Stated. Sworn to and subscribed on the Day and year above written Sarah herXmark Burnett

[A document from the Auditor's Office in Richmond VA dated 5 May 1846 states that a Continental infantryman named John Burnett received on 21 Mar 1783 a certificate for the balance of his pay, which was delivered to Col. John Gibson.]

State of South Carolina }
Spartenburgh District }

On this 5 Day of October 1846 personally appeared before me Joel Cannon one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for said District, Sarah Burnett, a resident of South Carolina in Spartenburgh District, aged 83 years, who being first Duly sworn according to law, Doath on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 7th 1838 entitled, an act granting half pay and pensions to certian widows – that she is the widow of John Burnett, who was a private Soldier of the Infantry in the state of Virginia in the war of the Revolution in Col. Gibsons Regiment, and as such served in united states against the Common anemy for the term of Eighteen months that he was a resident of Mecklenburg County when he entred the service in the State of Virginia. that he entred the service about the year 1779. She further Decalares, that she was married to the said John Burnett sumtime in the year 1780 and that her husband the aforesaid John Burnett Died on the 22^d Day of May 1809. that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four viz. at the time above stated – octe[?] Sarah herXmark Burnett

NOTE: On 9 Oct 1846 Henry Bishop stated that he married the oldest child of John and Sarah Burnett, and that his wife was then about 67 years old.