

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Dennard R2872

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State of Georgia Elbert County }

On this nineteenth day of January in the year of our Lord 1835, personally appeared in open Court, before Dilliard Herndon, Beverly Allen and William A. Belk Justices of the Inferior Court now sitting in and for Elbert County, and State of Georgia, John Dennard a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged seventy-one years, who first being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated.

First; That he was drafted into the Service of the United States for three months as a Private Soldier in the \_\_\_ of \_\_\_ State of South Carolina, in the year 1779 under Captain Abner Coulter in a Regiment of Militia commanded by Colonel Roebuck [Benjamin Roebuck], marched from South Carolina against the Cherokee Indians in the Chestatee Country where he lost his horse, returned from there home and was discharged after having served three months in the capacity of a Private Soldier, the whole commanded by General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] and that he served only with Militia Troops.

Secondly, That he volunteered into the service of the United States for three months as a Private Soldier in the \_\_\_ of \_\_\_ State of South Carolina in the year 1780 under Captain John Mapp in a Regiment of Militia commanded by Colonel Roebuck all commanded by General Pickens, marched from South Carolina to the Cherokee Ford on the Savannah River where he joined General Clark [sic, then Colonel Elijah Clarke of Georgia], from thence to the Log Towns in the Cherokee Nation Indians, where we fought the Indians after the Battle marched back to the place of his residence and was discharged after having served as a private Soldier three months in the year 1780 -- the day or month not recollected by him and that he served with the Militia Troops only.

Thirdly; That he also volunteered into the Service of the United States as a Private Soldier in the \_\_\_ of \_\_\_ State of South Carolina in the year 1780 the date or month not recollected by him, under Captain John Mapp all commanded by General Pickens marched after the Tories in South Carolina and after serving twenty-one days was discharged in the same year and that he served with no other Troops but the Militia.

Fourthly; That he also volunteered into the Service of the United States as a private Soldier in the District of \_\_\_ State of South Carolina in the year 1780 under Captain Collier

[possibly a mistaken attempt to identify Captain Anthony Coulter] in a Detachment of Militia commanded by Colonel Alexander, Marched to Shoulderbone in the State of Georgia, where we had a Battle with the Indians, after that battle was discharged after having served six weeks, or forty-two days in the same year the day and month not recollected by him, and that he served with the Militia only.

Fifthly; That he volunteered into the service of the United States as a private Soldier in the district of \_\_\_ State of South Carolina in the year 1781 under Captain \_\_\_ in a Detachment of Militia commanded by not now recollected marched to the Cowpens in said State, after the Battle [January 17, 1781] at that place, marched in various directions through the State of South Carolina and after serving six months was discharged as a private Soldier in the year 1781 the day or month not recollected by him, making in all fourteen months service in the United States Service which he performed during the Revolutionary War, and that during each term of service which he performed he served on with the Militia, and that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose evidence he can procure who can testify to his services as a Soldier of the Revolution. He states that he was born in the State of South Carolina on the Pedee River on the 25th day of January in the year 1764, and that he has no record of his age and do not know if there ever was any, That he lived in the State of South Carolina when called into Service each time, and that he lived in the State of South Carolina, until the year 1784 then removed to Elbert then in Wilkes County State of Georgia, where he now lives, and has resided there ever cents; that he was the first time drafted into the Service, the four last times he volunteered into the Service of the United States; he states that he served with no Regulars, only with a Militia commanded by as before stated; and that he received no written discharge was discharged verbally;

He states the names of Persons to whom he is known in his present neighborhood, and who can testify to his Character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution on the Honorable Wiley Thompson; Jephtha V. Harris, George Cook Esquire, William White, James Oliver Esquire, Beverly Allen Esquire and Samuel Bentley, Esquire.

He hereby relinquishes every Claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Dennard, X his mark

Attest: S/ Wm B. Nelms, Deputy Clerk

[Thomas Hearn, a clergyman, and William B. Nelms gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 11: In a certificate dated June 23, 1835, the Comptroller of South Carolina certifies that records in his office showing payments to John Dennard Senior for 9 days as a horseman as shown on Captain McBee's pay bill; 46 [could be 96] days as a horseman as shown on Captain Mapp's pay bill.]

[p 37: On December 30, 1853 in Cobb County Georgia, John Dennard filed a document in which he claims to be the son and heir of John Dennard, a soldier of the revolution.]

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<sup>1</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

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No.]  
[No.] 1092 = [Book] X 17<sup>th</sup> of November 1785  
John Dennard Senior for 9 days Duty as Private Horseman in Captain McBee's [Vardry  
McBee's] Company Roebuck's [Benjamin Roebuck's] Regiment from 1<sup>st</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> November 1781  
Inclusive at 20/ [20 shillings old South Carolina currency] per day is

£9  
Stg. [Sterling] £1.5.8 ½  
Ex<sup>d</sup>. J E [Examined by J E [identity unknown]]  
J. M<sup>c</sup>. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

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State of South Carolina Dr.  
1781 from 1<sup>st</sup> to 9 November 1781 inclusive  
To 9 Days as Horseman at 20/old Currency £9  
(included in Captain McBee's pay Bill)

Gentlemen please to Deliver my Indents to Captain Vardry McBee as he hath Given me full  
Consideration for the Same. This from your Humble servant  
S/ John Denard [sic], X his mark

To the public Auditor's office  
Test  
S/ William Tate, JP

[p 5: Printed form of Indent No. 1092 Book X]

[p 6: Reverse of the above Indent]