

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Barry (Berry) R569

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State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Term 1832

On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Mecklenburg and State aforesaid opened and held for said County on the fourth Monday of August 1832 & which court is now sitting Andrew Berry [sic] a resident of said County and State aged seventy-three years October next who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832. That he was born in the County of Mecklenburg and State aforesaid in the year 1759 – that he has no record of his age and if there is any he knows not where it is – that he has always lived in the neighborhood where he was born – that when he first entered the service of the United States he was a resident of Mecklenburg – that he was drafted as a militia man in the State of North Carolina and for five months – that his Captain was John Brownfield – Francis Locke the Colonel and General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] the commanding officer – that he marched from Charlotte by way of Camden to in ten miles of Charleston and from that place we turned off towards the Savannah River that Country being then in the possession of the British – that he served the whole of the war. And that he returned to North Carolina under Col. Francis Locke and was by him verbally discharged that this tour was made in the year 1779 [could be 1778].

That he again entered the service of the United States under General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] – who was killed at Cowans Ford [February 1, 1781] on the Catawba [River] – Davidson made proclamation that all who would volunteer for six weeks that they should be entitled to pay for a three months tour – that he volunteered under Captain Jonathan Potts and was under Colonel Francis Locke after the death of General Davidson that he was verbally discharged by his Captain Jonathan Potts after the expiration of six weeks which was in the year 1781 in the month of February some short time before the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] that he has no documentary evidence of having served as he has above described – that as to his character for veracity and that he did serve as he has herein stated he refers to the evidence of Robert Kerr [sic, Robert Carr]<sup>1</sup> and Joseph Graham<sup>2</sup> and James Conner<sup>3</sup> the certificate of Graham and Conner & Kerr as to his character for veracity and the certification of Robert Kerr & Conner as to his service in the revolutionary war – his discharges being verbal he has no evidence of the fact-- he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State – that the whole term that he belonged to the States Troop of North Carolina during the Revolution was six months and two weeks.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

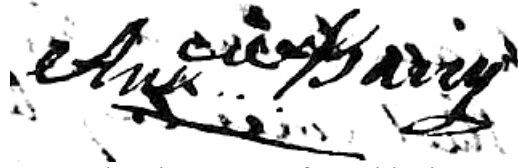
S And<sup>w</sup> Barry

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1 [Robert Carr \(Kerr\) S8778](#) this applicant spelled his name "Carr" in his application and in the manner in which he signed his name.

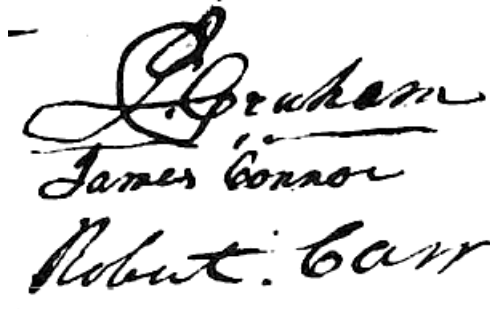
2 [Joseph Graham S6937](#)

3 [James Conner S8237](#)



[Joseph Graham, of Lincoln County, and James Conner and Robert Kerr of Mecklenburg gave the standard supporting affidavit: "...James Conner and Robert Kerr further swear – the said Kerr certifies that he was with the said Andrew Berry and both tours as disclosed by him in the five months tour under Locke and Rutherford – the other at Cowan's Ford about the time that Davidson was killed – and the said Conner certifies that the applicant served in the last tour mentioned.

S/ J. Graham  
S/ James Connor  
S/ Robert Carr



[On July 27, 1853, Andrew M. Barry, 40, a resident of Hopewell in Mecklenburg County, NC filed a declaration in Mecklenburg County stating that he is the son of Ruth Barry, widow of Andrew Barry a US pensioner at the rate of \$21.33 per annum; that his parents were married in August of 1804; that his father Andrew Barry died March 28, 1844 and his mother died September 6, 1852. The court found that Ruth Barry died leaving said Andrew M. Barry, Mary Barry and Nancy Barry as for only surviving children.



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[p 5: On August 9, 1804 in Iredell County North Carolina, Andrew Barry and Capt. D. Beatey gave bond for the issuance of a marriage license for the marriage of Andrew Berry [sic] to Ruth Batie [Beatey, Beatie.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 12 days in the North Carolina militia.]