

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Jordan R5767

Tabitha Jordan

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State of North Carolina, Warren County

On this the 15th day of April A.D. 1852 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace and a member of the County Court of Warren County in State of North Carolina Tabitha Jordan a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy-nine [last digit is very faint and may indicated an attempt to erase same] years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 29 A.D. 1848 or any other Act under which she may be entitled: That she is the widow of Thomas Jordan who was a private in a Regiment of Infantry militia commanded by Brigadier General Sumner [Jethro Sumner] in the Division commanded by Major General Nathaniel Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] during the Campaign in North and South Carolina in the war of the Revolution between the United States in Great Britain of 1776, that the said Thomas Jordan volunteered in the County of Granville, State of North Carolina in the year 1780 and served until the close of the war and 1783.

She further declares that she was married to the said Thomas Jordan on or about the ___ day of September A.D. 1795, that the said Thomas Jordan died on or about the ___ day of May A.D. 1840, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January A.D. 1800 viz. at the time above stated.

She further declares that, neither her husband the said Thomas in his lifetime, nor herself in her life time, ever received a pension, that she never afterwards married after her said intermarriage with the said Thomas Jordan, that the reason why she never applied for a pension before, was on account of the fact that she was ignorant of any provisions for her by Congress until so advised by counsel recently, & that there is no family record in the family

She the said Tabatha Jordan further declares that the belief is general and no doubts have ever existed in the opinion of the neighborhood, that he was a Revolutionary soldier and that she has often heard the said Thomas Jordan when in Company with Osborne Ball¹ and others Revolutionary Soldiers of the neighborhood, speak about being in the battle of Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781], and about fording rivers, and hardships which they endured while in service; that she had by the said Thomas Jordan following children viz. Marcel is aged 43 years Lucy aged thirty-eight years Elizabeth aged forty seven years, John aged fifty-one, Tabatha aged 45 & James 37, and these were all except William now dead.

S/ Tabatha Jordan, X her mark

¹ [Osborne Ball R459](#)

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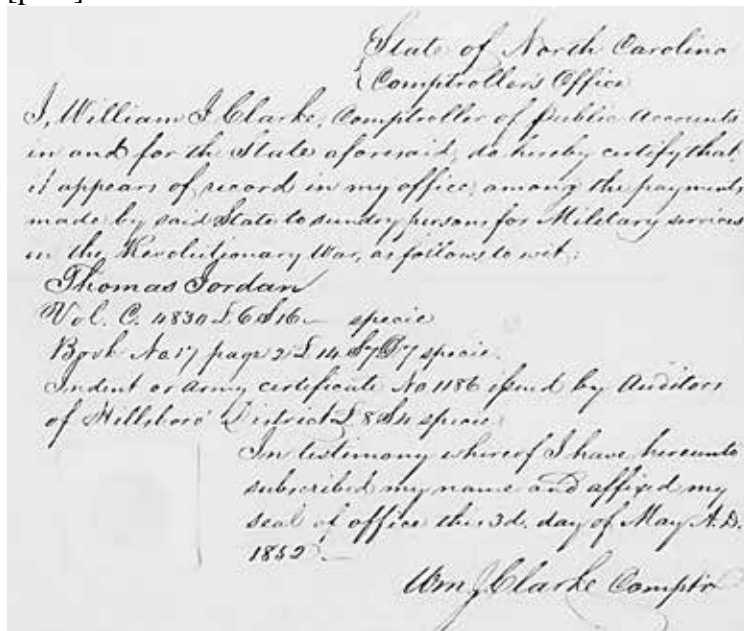
On this 13th day of January 1854 I Abner Steed one of the acting Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid and being neighbor for many years to Mrs. Tabatha Jordan of the same County, and the said Tabatha Jordan being aged about Seventy-eight years, and in consequence of her advanced age it being inconvenient for her to attend a Court at Warrenton the Shire town of said County I attended and waited upon her at her residence and after being duly sworn according to law she the said Tabatha Jordan it upon her oath make the following declaration to wit – That she is the widow of Thomas Jordan deceased who was a private and served in the North Carolina Militia in the war of the Revolution that he entered the service from the County of Granville and State aforesaid and served a term of ten months and 15 days. That she was married to the said Thomas Jordan 14th day of February 1795 in the County of Warren and State of North Carolina by one Marmaduke Johnson a Justice of the Peace that her said husband died in the County of Warren and State of North Carolina on the 14th day of January 1841, that her name before her said marriage was Tabatha Wortham that she has never intermarried with any other person since but continues still his widow and that she has never received any pension bounty or other gratuity for the above said service. She makes the foregoing declaration for the purpose of obtaining the pension to which she is entitled under the act of Congress passed July 29th 1848. In presence of

S/ Tabatha Jordan



Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and date above written
S/Abner Steed, JP

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[Note: there is no proof that the Thomas Jordan referred to in this certificate is this veteran.]