

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Benjamin Lindsey R6354

Abigail

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State of Illinois Jackson County: County Court Jackson County May Term 1851

On this 5th day of May A.D. 1851 personally appeared in open Court, before the County Court of said County of Jackson State of Illinois, now in session in the town of Murpheysboro in said County, William Lindsey a resident of the County of Jackson in the State of Illinois aged sixty-nine years 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 acts of Congress passed June 7th 1832, July 4th 1836 and July 7th 1838 granting of Pensions to Revolutionary soldiers their widows and orphans.

That he is the only child and heir at law of Benjamin Lindsey deceased. That his Father the said Benjamin Lindsey was a soldier in the War of the Revolution, that he served several tours of duty in the Militia of North Carolina, and in the State troops of that State, that he was a private soldier, and for a portion of the time under a Captain named Smith, and Colonel Cleaveland [sic, Cleveland]. Declarant believes his said Father was in the regular service, as he has heard him relate of having escaped assassination by accident by a party of Tories while returning home on furlough, said party being hated by a man by the name of Young, that his Father the said Benjamin Lindsey, was killed by the Indians as he has been informed and believed in the year 1793 near Cumberland River in the State of Tennessee, that he is unable to give the particulars in reference to the services of his said Father, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to prove the same, and that he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove it; but he believes he served as much as four or five years during the war.

Declarant says that Abigail Lindsey wife of the said Benjamin Lindsey was his Mother, and that he is the only surviving Child of said Abigail by the said Benjamin Lindsey, and that the said Abigail his said mother, subsequently married a man named Ebenezer Pyatt, who died in said County and State in the year A.D. 1835 and that she the said Abigail his mother, was formerly the widow of said Benjamin Lindsey, and that she died in said County of Jackson State of Illinois on the 19th day of September A.D. 1845. He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the arrears of unclaimed pension to which the said Abigail his mother might have been, as the widow of said Benjamin Lindsey, entitled at the time of her death, by any of the aforesaid, or other, acts of Congress in regard to the granting pensions etc. And that the said Benjamin Lindsey and the said Abigail were married in the County of Halifax in the State of North

Carolina for the Abbeville district in South Carolina in the year 1778.  
Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court.  
S/ William Lindsey