

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Oglesby R7779

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[Note: There are no applications or supporting affidavits in this file. Their absence is explained in a letter dated August 1, 1932 which reads in relevant part as follows:

*The records of this office [the National Archives] show that a claim for pension was made by Susan Oglesby, under the Act of July 4, 1836, on account of the service of her husband Richard Oglesby, in the Revolutionary War (R 7779).*

*The records show that her claim was not allowed because she failed to furnish the required proof of service and marriage. That on February 3, 1848, the papers in her application were withdrawn from the pension files and sent to the House of Representatives for action by that body and were never returned to this office, therefore, there is on file no statement of hers in regard to the service of Richard Oglesby or of their marriage; the Congressional records show that in the 30th Congress, first session, page 358, of the Journal, the petition for pension of Susan Oglesby, widow of Richard Oglesby was referred to the Committee of the House on Revolutionary pensions and is recorded Discharged : Laid on table."*

*In 1842 one Robert H. Gray of Lynchburg, Va. as agent for Susan Oglesby of Bedford Co Virginia, above made inquiry in her behalf in regard to her claim for pension.*

*The statements in his letters all revert to statements made by the widow and the affidavits filed in support of her claim, which as stated, are not now on file in this office, so it is not possible to definitely state the whole when so much is associated with previous transactions.*

*He stated that Richard Oglesby, removed from Albemarle to Nelson County and from thence to Bedford, 'no dates given; that the soldier served at least nine or ten months in the Revolutionary war, no dates nor officers names shown.*

*He referred to those who made affidavits as relatives of the soldier, one a son, Daniel Oglesby and the intimation is that two of the others, Mrs. Christiana Holt of Bedford Co and Mrs. Conny Witt of Nelson Co were daughters of the soldier but no definite statement can be made. A Mrs. Noel was living in 1842, a granddaughter of the soldier, she was possibly a daughter of Mrs. Christiana Holt, statement vague. Two other daughters over sixty in 1842 were referred to, names not shown.*

*Dates of birth and death of soldier and widow Susan are not shown, and the Archives has no further information relative th the soldier or family.*

**Resolved, That the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions be instructed to inquire into the propriety of granting a pension to Susan Oglesby, the widow of Richard Oglesby, a soldier of the Revolution, and that they call for the papers belonging to the case, now on file in the Pension Office.**  
27<sup>th</sup> Congress (Dec. 6, 1841) US House of Representatives record, p. 791

[f p. 7: In a letter dated January 7, 1842, Robert H. Gray, agent for the widow, made reference to an affidavit given by Lewis B Reynolds<sup>1</sup> which Gray states prove one tour by the soldier and corroborates the evidence of the other witnesses Daniel Oglesby, Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Witt.]

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<sup>1</sup> [Lewis Blew Reynolds R8713](#)