

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Patterson R8000

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State of North Carolina Iredell County: September 8, 1815

This day Joseph Guy came before me & being duly sworn saith that he was acquainted with John Patterson previous to his being wounded in the revolutionary war. That he knew him to be a Blacksmith, that he has continued to reside, and does at this time reside in the same neighborhood. That this deponent knew him to have been very severely wounded during the war and as he believes and always did understand it had been done at Gates Defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] where he was also made a prisoner.

In addition to the two very severe wounds on the head, which were troublesome and very afflictive for many years, he appears to have received one other severe cut with a broad sword on the elbow of the right arm; his arm at the time apparently thrown up for the purpose of defending the head the sword entered longitudinally near the external part of the [indecipherable word]¹, and its edge being somewhat externally directed, as respects the arm struck off or detached the external [indecipherable word]² of the as humeri and sunk considerably into the head of the radius. From which a stiffness of that joint, (forming nearly a right angle) has ensued and disabled the applicant in the opinion of this deponent fully one half from obtaining his subsistence by farming to which he has resorted principally since he was disabled, but considerably more say three fourths or even more from pursuing his trade as a Blacksmith or procuring his subsistence by it.

Sworn to & subscribed before me September 8th 1815.

S/ Joseph Guy, M.D.

S/ Samuel King, Commissioner

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North Carolina Iredell County

Pursuant to a Commission granted to me by Henry Potter Esquire one of the District Judges of the United States for the State of North Carolina I have preceded this 8th day of September 1815 to take the depositions of James Marlow and Randolph Shoemaker respecting

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the wounds John Patterson received fighting in the service of the United States, during the revolutionary war in the year 1780 at the battle near Camden, known by the name of Gates defeat, in General Griffith Rutherford's Brigade of the North Carolina Militia -- Colonel George Alexander's Regiment -- Captain Samuel Reed's Company

James Marlow -- after being duly sworn states that during the revolutionary war he served with John Patterson in General Griffith Rutherford's Brigade of the Militia of North Carolina Colonel George Alexander's Regiment -- Captain Samuel Reed's company -- that in the battle fought near Camden on the 16th of August 1780 known by the name of Gates' defeat and the aforesaid John Patterson were both made prisoners by the enemy, that on the evening of the same day he saw the said Patterson with three severe wounds -- one on the elbow of the right arm and two on the head, that he saw him frequently during his captivity and considered him dangerously ill of his wounds -- that he knew him to be a blacksmith by trade previous to entering the service that he then lived in the County of Rowan North Carolina (now Iredell County) where he has since uniformly resided and continues to reside, and that he believes he has principally supported himself & his family by attending to his farm.

Sworn & subscribed before me

S/ Saml. King, Commissioner

S/ James Marlow, X his mark

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Randolph Shoemaker after being duly sworn states that shortly after the battle fought near Camden in the year 1780 -- known by the name of Gates defeat he saw John Patterson a prisoner to the British severely wounded, that he saw him frequently during his captivity, and did not think he could survive his wounds -- that he knew him to be detained a prisoner by the enemy until the month of October following at Charlotte, that he knew him before he entered the service & believed him to be a Blacksmith by trade.

Sworn & subscribed before me

S/ Saml. King, Commissioner

S/ Randolph Shoemaker, X his mark

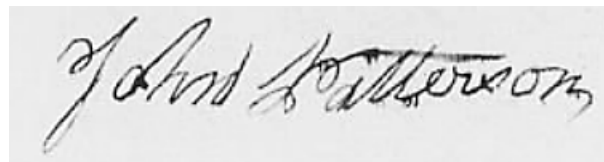
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North Carolina Iredell County: John Patterson who has this day had the depositions of James Marlow & Randolph Shoemaker taken for the purpose of being placed on the pension list of the United States as an invalid, maketh oath that he did not know until the year 1809 that any provision was made by law to allow a soldier wounded in the Militia service of the United States a pension and that he is not placed on the pension list of any State.

Sworn & subscribed before me September 8th 1815

S/ Saml. King, Commissioner

S/ John Patterson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Patterson". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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Increase of pension

It is hereby certified that John Patterson formerly a private of Captain Samuel Reid's Company, in the Colonel G. Alexander Regiment of Infantry who, it appears by the accompanying certificate, was placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$4 per month, on account, as he states, of having received a sword cut which penetrated the as frontis and injured the muscles & [indecipherable word] of the left eye producing partial blindness and that eye also a sword cut on [indecipherable word] and another across the elbow of the right arm by which one of the [indecipherable word] of the humerus was separated occasioning a severe [several indecipherable words] while in the line of his duty, and in said service, on or about the 16th day of August in the year 1780 and a place called the Gum Swamp in the State of South Carolina, is not totally still disabled in consequence of said entry, but, in my opinion, is entitled to \$1.33 1/3/100 more than he already receive as a pensioner, being disabled to agree amounting to two thirds of a total disability.

S/ A. Franklin [Abner Franklin]

S/ Robt. H. Carson, Surgeons [Robert Carson]

Sworn & subscribed before made this 18th day of January 1833.

S/ J. Campbell, JP

[p 3 & 47: family Record]

State of North Carolina Alexander County

A Record of the births, marriages and deaths of the Family of John Patterson and Ann Patterson his wife

John Patterson and Ann Thomson were joined in the Holy Bands [sic] of Matrimony on the 20th day of March A.D. 1787

John Patterson was born on the 30th day of December A.D. 1758

Ann Thomson, now Ann Patterson was born on the 30th day of June A.D. 1768

Adoniram Patterson their first son was Born on the 13th day of May A.D. 1788

Adonijah Patterson, their second son was born on the 28th day of March A.D. 1790

Eliasaph Patterson their 3rd Son was Born on the 19th day of March A. D. 1792

Asenath Patterson their first Daughter was Born on the 21st of April A. D. 1794

Jane Patterson their 2nd Daughter was Born on the 31st day of May A. D. 1796

Eliza Patterson their 3rd Daughter was Born on the 12th day of Novr. A. D. 1798

Matilda Patterson their 4th Daughter was Born on the 10th day of Feby. A. D. 1801

Delilah Patterson their 5th Daughter was Born on the 3rd day of June A. D. 1803

Mira Patterson their 6th Daughter was Born on the 3rd day of April A. D. 1805 And Ira their 4th

Son [was] Born at the same Birth

Thomas Thomson Patterson their 5th Son Was Born on the 27th day of August A. D. 1807

Sarah Louisa Patterson their 7th Daughter Was Born on the 5th day of May A. D. 1810]

[p 53: North Carolina Comptroller certificate regarding payments made to a John Patterson during the revolution.]

[p 4: On August 29, 1844 in Iredell County North Carolina, Ann Patterson, 76, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John Patterson; that she married him March 20, 1787; that she has heard him speak of being in the battle of Camden where Gates was defeated and that he was wounded receiving two sword cuts one on the right arm and the other on his head; that he was also at the battle of Ramsour's [Ramseur's Mill, June

20, 1780] and other engagements; that they were married on the date above stated in the house of George Brown in the County of Burke, State of North Carolina; that her husband died December 31, 1837; that he was a pensioner of the United States as an invalid.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann Patterson". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[p 8: On August 23, 1855 in Iredell County North Carolina, Sarah L Lyons [signature, though faint, appears to spell her surname as Lyon] a resident of said County executed a power of attorney in which she says she is a daughter and heir at law of John and Ann Patterson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah L Lyons". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[p 10: In a letter dated September 11, 1857, Adoniram Patterson names his brothers and sisters, all children of John and Ann Patterson as follows:
himself (Adoniram Patterson); Adonijah Patterson; Eleasaph Patterson; Ira Patterson; Thomas T. Patterson; his sisters: Asenath Patterson; Jane Patterson; Elizabeth Patterson; Matilda Patterson; Delila Patterson; Mira Patterson; Sarah L. Patterson.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Adoniram Patterson". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$4 per month increased to \$5.33 1/3 dollars per month effective January 18, 1833. He was pensioned as an invalid as a result of wounds sustained at the battle of Camden.]