

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Peery (Perry) R8129

Deborah

f16VA

Transcribed by Will Graves

10/8/12

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Virginia County of Tazewell: SS

On this tenth day of July in the year 1845, personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for the County of Tazewell aforesaid, Deborah Perry, a resident of said County, aged seventy-five 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 act of Congress passed July seven, 1838, entitled, "An act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows:" That she is the widow of John Perry who was a cornet in the Continental line & served seventeen months. That she knows of one witness by whom to establish her husband's services, but she is advised that the rolls furnish evidence thereof: That her husband drew land & she presumes that the evidence upon which that was granted would be sufficient to entitle her to a pension.

She is able to give no detail of her husband services, never having been well informed on the subject & her memory being at present almost gone. She further declares that she was married to the said John Perry January 8, 1787, & that her husband the aforesaid John Perry died on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March 1844: that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1794 – viz. at the time above stated: & that she has since intermarried with no other person. She also declares that she is unable to attend personally in court by reason of bodily infirmity.

S/ Deborah Perry, X her mark

State of Virginia County of Tazewell: SS

This day personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace in & for said County, Elizabeth Taber, who being first duly sworn according to law, says that the memorandum hereto annexed is taken from the old family Bible of her father John Perry & was made at his request, 15 or 16 years ago, by George Acken the preacher of the circuit. The family Bible had become very ragged & this copy was made to preserve the family record. The original had been in the possession of John Perry, ever since this affiant can recollect & the copy remained in his possession until his death & since that time her mother, the present declarant for a pension, has had the custody of it. The memorandum on the first page is in the hand writing of this affiant's father John Perry.

S/Elizabeth Taber, X her mark

William Washington Kidd was born November the 17<sup>th</sup> 1829

John Perry Senior was born September the 28<sup>th</sup>, 1762

Deborah Perry his Wife was born February the 11<sup>th</sup> 1770

John Perry  
John Peery  
William Washington  
William W. Kidd  
Hiram P Peery

John Peery Sen was born September 28, 1762  
Deborah Kidd was born February 11<sup>th</sup>, 1770  
Hiram Perry was born May 11, 1788  
William Kidd Perry was born August 26, 1790  
Mary Perry was born March 20, 1793  
Joshua Perry was born March 23, 1795  
Sally Perry was born September 3, 1797  
Matty Perry was born April 15, 1799  
John Perry was born February 25, 1801  
Nancy Perry was born May 7, 1803  
Elizabeth Perry was born January 29<sup>th</sup>, 1806  
Clarissa Perry was born February 12, 1808  
Rebecca Perry was born March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1811  
Peggy Perry was born August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1813  
Joshua

#### Marriages

John Perry Sen was married to Deborah Kidd January 8, 1787  
Mary Perry was married to Isham Tomlinson in the fall of 1810  
Hiram Perry was married to Ruth Lestey [Lesley?] on Christmas 1811  
Joshua Perry was married to Nancy Powers in 1815  
Matty Perry was married to David Steele in 1816  
Sally Perry was married to Charles Seizn in 1821  
Nancy Perry was married to Washington Perry in 1823  
Clarissa Perry was married to Reuben Steele in March 1825

[f p. 10: Betsy Brewster gave testimony on July 15, 1845 in Tazewell County Virginia that she was present at the marriage of John Perry & Deborah Kidd in 1787 in what was then Montgomery now Tazewell County Virginia. She also testified that she recalls John Perry having been in the revolutionary war but does not know how long he served. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

---

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

[This record MAY relate to this veteran]

I certify that John Perry is now a Cornet in Baylor's Regiment of Dragoons & has served the United States three years in different Offices in the said Regiment of Dragoons.

S/ Jos. Eggleston [Joseph Eggleston]  
Ma: Jac's Legion

21<sup>st</sup> August 1783

I certify that John Peery is now a Colonel in Bay-  
lors Regt of Dragoons, & has served the United States  
three years in different Offices in the said  
Regt. of Dragoons.

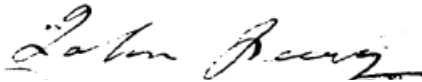
A. Eggleston  
Maj. Gen's Legion  
25<sup>th</sup> August 1783

[From [pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

[Again, the following MAY relate to this veteran]

Know all men by these presents that I John Peery do hereby constitute & appoint Edmund McGinnis my true & lawful attorney for me to act & in my name to collect or obtain from the treasury of Virginia my pension granted to me by the Commonwealth aforesaid in the year 1812 ratifying & confirming all & every act of said McGinnis relative to the premises as fully & completely as if I myself have performed the same in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this third day of October 1813

S/ John Peery



received a warrant of \$60 January 21 1814  
S/ Edmund McGinnis