

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Perry R8134

Keziah

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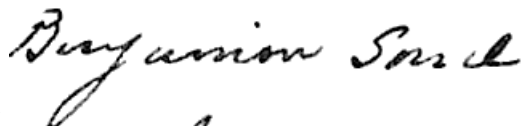
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I Keziah Perry the widow of William Perry deceased of Albemarle County State of Virginia now as she believes in her 80th year, the Bible in which her birth was set down in, also her marriage, having been destroyed long since, it being then in possession of my deceased Father – do hereby further certify that she was married on the 30th day of March she thinks as well as she can remember, the year following the termination of the Revolutionary War, or the year after its termination – to her deceased husband William Perry who died on the 11th July 1831. – I further Certify that I was married to the said William Perry deceased (my husband) by a certain Parson ___ Irvine at his house in the aforesaid County, and State, and that I have never married since, and remained the widow of the said William Perry deceased. I further Certify that my husband and myself were both born and raised in the County of Albemarle & State of Virginia as aforesaid in three miles of each other – and that I always understood by current report that my husband served three tours during the revolutionary war, but I do not know under whom or at what particular places he performed those tours, except the one when he was ordered to York. He having been ordered and rendezvoused at a Mr. Sneed's a little below a place or village now called Milton – my brother Benjamin Sorrel [?]¹ having been ordered at the same time and place with my husband William Perry, but in consequence of my brother having been taken sick he returned home, and I was called on as a witness and was compelled to attend a Court martial at Charlottesville Albemarle County Virginia to testify to his sickness and inability to serve that tour to York – I further Certify that I saw the said William Perry in company with my brother Benjamin, I met the said William Perry just returned from York. I and my brother having been on a visit in the neighborhood & on our return home met him.

I do hereby Certify that in consequence of my great age and not in the habit of traveling (though in good health) yet my Physical strength so much impaired as would make it a considerable personal inconvenience & Payne to attend Court, the distance there from being about 8 miles on a rough road. As given under my hand this 15th day of June 1843, my oldest child Martha is about 56 years old.

S/ Keziah Perry, X her mark



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[Benjamin Sowel? or Sowell?]

I Micajah Bowen² of Albemarle County & State of Virginia now about in his 88th year – Do hereby certify that a certain William Perry, who has been dead a considerable time, and who was the husband of his now surviving widow, and resided at his death and still resides a neighbor to him (say about 2 miles off) and who he should think was not less than 70 years old, and whose Christian name is Keziah And that the said William. During the Revolutionary war, resided in the aforesaid County and State, and at the place where his widow now lives & where he died & further certifies that the said William Perry with him & others were called out to perform a military tour, and that the rendezvous was at the village of Charlottesville in the aforesaid County & State, where he marched from with the said William Perry under the command of Captain John Harris to Richmond Virginia and from thence to Raccoon Ford, on the Rapid-dan [Rapidan River] and from thence to Richmond again, where they were discharged. The time of service amounting to two months – I do hereby further Certify that after their discharge, that said William Perry and himself were again called out to perform another tour of duty and again rendezvoused at the said village (Charlottesville Albemarle County Virginia) and marched from thence under the command of Captain Mark Leake to Williamsburg & from thence to York Town, and thence to Richmond Virginia where they were discharged, the time of service amounting to two months. He hereby certifies that as well as his memory now serves him, that those tours or duties performed was the winter preceding the siege of York. Given under my hand this the 25th day of March 1843

S/ Micajah Bowen, X his mark

PS I do further testify that said Perry as I understood done further duty but have no knowledge of it. Given under my hand this 25th March 1843

S/ Micajah Bowen, X his mark

I Benjamin Sowell of the County of Albemarle and State of Virginia now in his 79th year of his age, Do hereby Certify that he was well acquainted with a certain William Perry who was born, raised & died in the County of Albemarle and State of Virginia as aforesaid – Having lived a near neighbor of his during his life, and now lives a near neighbor of his widowed wife Keziah Perry who is now living, she the said Keziah being my sister and married said William Perry, who I now believe to be about 77 years old. The said William Perry died about 12 years ago and if now living would be about 75 years old – I do hereby further certify that the said William Perry and myself were drafted at the same time to perform a tour of duty, and they were ordered to rendezvous at the house of a certain Benjamin Sneed (a schoolmaster) not far from a little village now called Milton in Albemarle County Virginia and upon their arrival at the place of rendezvous, that I am under the impression when we arrived that we were to march to York Town during the siege of that place, under the command of Captain James Woods, at the same time and place that was another company under the command of Captain Robert Sharp who married my father's Sister – This affiant having been taken sick and the place of said rendezvous, he was advised by Colonel Charles L Lewis who is now dead & acted as Lieutenant Colonel at the time to return home which he did – and that the said William Perry marched to the siege of York & remained there until its termination, and that I understood that he remained in service for a tour of two months – I further state and certify that I understood that the said William Perry performed 2 other Tours of duty two months each, one under the command of Captain John Harris of Albemarle State of Virginia and the other under the command of Captain Mark Leake of said County & State of Virginia but has no knowledge himself, where they performed this

² [Micajah Bowen S29643](#)

service or the length of time or tours. As given under my hand this 13th day of June 1843:
S/ Benjamin Sowell

Benjamin Sowell