

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Adonijah Perry W10882                      Elizabeth Perry                      NC  
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State of North Carolina }  
County of Lenoir } SS

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June AD 1857 Personally appeared, before me, the undersigned a Justice of the peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Elizabeth Perry aged 73 years a resident of Kinston in the County of Lenoir and State of North Carolina who being duly sworn according to law doth, on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed on the 3<sup>d</sup> February 1853 Granting Pensions to Widows of Persons who served during the revolutionary War.

That she is the widow of Adonijah Perry deceased who was a private in the company commanded by Captain (name not known) in the Regiment commanded by Col. Richard Caswell in the war of the revolution. that he was in the Battle of Camden South Carolina fought on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 1780 and after said battle he joined Col. Sowell Regiment on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August 1780. to the best of her information and belief her husband entered the service at Trenton in Jones County in the State of North Carolina about the month of January AD 1780 and continued in actual service in said war for the term of nine months and was honorably discharged at Hillsboro [Hillsborough] N.C. about the month of October AD 1780. She further states that she was married to the said Adonijah Perry in Jones County in the State of North Carolina on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October AD 1816 by one Lavender Simmons a Justice of the Peace and that her name before her said marriage was Elizabeth Huggins. that her said husband died in Jones County in the State of North Carolina on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1830 and she further states that there is a public record of her marriage bond now on file in the Clerks office of the County Court of Jones County in the State of North Carolina and that there is no private record of her marriage to be found. that she cannot file herewith his certificate of discharge for the reason that it is lost or destroyed. – and she further declares that she is now a widow and that the proof of service of her said husband and a true copy of her marriage Bond and proof of her identity as the widow of the said Adonijah Perry deceased is now on file in the proper department at Washington City D.C. with her application No. 237.159 for bounty land under act of the 3<sup>d</sup> of March 1855 and that she has received a Bounty land warrant No. 56858 for 160 acres dated the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1857 under the act of March 3<sup>d</sup> 1855 granting bounty land to the widows of deceased officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war.

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[A letter indicates that the following is from a copy, and the original was returned to the family.]

Dr Father & Mother,                      Camp at Ramsey's Mill on Deep River  
August ye 29<sup>th</sup> Day 1780

by this I let you know that I am well at present thanks be God for it. Hoping these few lines will find you in the same state of health Also I have to Inform you that we had a battle 16<sup>th</sup> Instant and was Defeated tho I had the happiness to make my Escape and John Blimmer[?] with me and as for Cosin Waxel [Cousin Waxel Perry] I never herd from him sence the defeat we joined Colo Sorrels Regiment the 19<sup>th</sup> instant and we expect to march tomorrow for Hillsborough we crost the line the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July but we cannot tell when our time is out but we hope about the 14<sup>th</sup> of next month but am not shure of it so no more at present but my kind love to & all enquiring friends this from your most Dutiful son

To Mr. John Perry

Adonijah Perry

NOTE: The file includes a copy of the marriage bond dated 8 Oct 1816with William McDaniel as bondsman. Elizabeth Perry's application for bounty land is similar to the one for a pension and was certified by Thomas Blakeley and Joseph Perry.