

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lewis Yarbrough W1120      Elizabeth Yarbrough      f46SC  
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### State of Tennessee Lincoln County

On this 8th day of June A.D. 1851 personally appeared before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace and a Justice of the County Court (which is a Court of Record) Elizabeth Yarbrough, a resident of said County & State aged 78 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 the Acts of Congress passed July 7th 1838, March 3rd 1843, June 17th 1844 and February 2nd 1848, granting Pensions to certain Widows; that she is the Widow of Lewis Yarbrough, who was a private Soldier in the Regular Army during the Revolutionary War, from the State of South Carolina, and she thinks from Abbeville District in said State; that her husband the said Lewis Yarbrough enlisted in company with and at the same time as his father William Yarbrough, and that he was then very young, said 15 or 16 years of age, that they enlisted, as well as Declarant recollects, for 5 years or during the War, she thinks for "During the War," but cannot be certain, this was she thinks in the year 1779, that he continued in the service with his father until the close of the war, as she always understood from them both, but she does not recollect the names of the officers under whom they served, but thinks one of his officers was named "Tutt", although she does not recollect whether he was a Capt. or Col., she recollects having heard him speak of being at the Battle of the [paper torn, text missing] Springs and of "Ninety Six," and that whilst stationed at some Fort, the name of which she does not now recollect, her husband was taken prisoner, she thinks in consequence of bad conduct on the part of the above mentioned "Tutt," who for his said conduct was broke of his office, and who afterwards joined the Tories, Declarant is not certain that she is correct, as to her husband's having been under him, as an officer, but merely mentions the circumstance having often heard her husband speak in very harsh terms of the said "Tutt," nor can she recollect many of the circumstances of her husband, but recollects that towards the close of the War, he was marched to the upper part of the State of South Carolina, to protect the Frontier, that in consequence of the great lapse of time, old age, & loss of memory, she cannot give the particulars of the said service, but is certain he was an enlisted soldier in company with his father William Yarbrough, either for "5 years" or for "During the War," and that for further particulars of the said service she relies upon the old original records if any such exist, believes that if her husband's Lewis Yarbrough's name shall be found on the records, that his father's name William Yarbrough will also be found with it and that the reason why she is certain as to his service, is that she has many times, years ago, seen his original discharge which has been lost or destroyed. She further declares that she was married to the said Lewis Yarbrough in Laurens District, South Carolina, in the month of

July in the year 1792 -- that her husband, the aforesaid Lewis Yarbrough, died on the 14th day of July in the year 1831, in Lincoln County Tennessee, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz. at the time above stated, that her first child of herself and the said Lewis Yarbrough if now living would be now 58 years of age, having been born in the year 1793, that she has no record or documentary evidence of her marriage or in support of her claim, that the old original family record which contained the dates of her marriage and of births of her children has been long since destroyed, that previous to her marriage her name was Elizabeth Garrett & that she was married to her said husband Lewis Yarbrough by one \_\_ "Partridge" a minister of the Gospel, that since his death she has not again intermarried, but continues a widow of the said Lewis Yarbrough & that she has never before applied for a Pension.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & year first above written.

S/ Elizabeth Yarbrough, X her mark

S/ Thomas S. Williams, JP

[On June 3rd, 1851 in Lincoln County Tennessee, William Yarbrough, 66, testified as to the marriage of his brother Lewis Yarbrough to Elizabeth Garrett, and his recollection of his brother and father having served in the revolutionary war. He states "... Affiant further states that he is the 6th child of his father William Yarbrough, & that from his earliest recollection, he has often & repeatedly heard his father say that he was an enlisted soldier from the State of South Carolina in the Revolutionary War, that he enlisted for 5 years or during the war, he does not recollect which, that when he enlisted he took with him his eldest son Lewis Yarbrough (affiant's oldest brother) who enlisted at the same time, and for the same period, that Affiant also understood that his father and brother served until the final termination of the War, this he understood from them both, Affiant has also often heard the said Lewis Yarbrough up to the date of his death speak of having been in the Regular service, as above stated, and of having been at the battle of "Eutaw Springs," and also having been marched, while out in the service, up into the State of Georgia, & that he crossed the Oconee River at the Eden Shoals, that before they arrived at the said River they marched down a Creek in pursuit of the enemy which Creek was thereafter called "Trail Creek" this he always understood both from his father and brother aforementioned, this he recollects more distinctly from the fact, that some time after the Revolutionary War, his father removed to the State of Georgia, as did his brother the said Lewis Yarbrough, and settled on the said River near the place where they crossed it while in the Service, and many years thereafter affiant distinctly recollects there speaking of and pointing out the place where they crossed it during the War, affiant does not recollect hearing the said Lewis Yarbrough give the name of any of his officers, under whom he served. If he has, he has now forgotten it, he has heard him speak of General Greene, but whether or not he served under him, affiant does not recollect, he has also heard him speak of a man by the name of "Tutt," but in what connection he cannot state, as he does not recollect."]

[pp "208-249" (incorrectly numbered and consisting of only 3 pages): South Carolina Comptroller general's report of payments made for militia services to Lewis and William Yarborough for services under Capt. Benjamin Tutt, Col. Robert Anderson, Col. Thomas Taylor, Capt. McKin's [sic], during the revolutionary war]

Comptroller General's Office Columbia South Carolina marched 30th 1852

It is hereby certified that it appears from Indent No. 289 Book N. on file in this Office that in Indent issued to Benjamin Tutt for 1706 pounds 15 shillings 8 ½ pence sterling "for duty done in an Independent Company and Disbursements for the Army" and from account No. 264 Book X. that Benjamin Tutt was paid for service as Major in the Militia in 1781 and also for wagon service and a horse lost in 1779 & 1780, and I further certify that I have examined the papers on file in the Office of the Clerk of House of Representatives in the matter of the application of Betty Tutt as widow of Richard Tutt for the commutation pay of said Richard Tutt as a Lieut. in the Continental establishment, and that it is stated he was detached from said establishment under a resolve of the Legislature -- that the proofs show that said Richard was first Lieut. under Capt. Benjamin Tutt, went to Charleston in 1776, witness enclosed for 15 months, & then that said Benjamin & Richard enlisted for 3 years -- stationed at "Seneca for the protection of the inhabitation of the up Country" -- that one of the deponent's states that he served 3 years under Benjamin Tutt at Fort Rutledge & that said Richard was first Lieut. and further that the Report of the Committee as agreed to and concurred in states that Richard Tutt was an officer of the Continental establishment & served in same until he was detached by resolution of Legislature of this State & placed in the service of South Carolina "to be entitled nevertheless to all the pay rations and emoluments that the officers of the Continental establishment would be" in stating the amount of his commutation to be the sum of \$3312.

S/ James A. Black  
Deputy Comptroller General