

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Scott W11402¹

Isabell Scott

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State of Louisiana Parish of Claiborne }

On this the 14th day of October 1857 personally appeared before the Judge of the 18 District Court Louisiana by operation of law holding sessions in and for the 19th Judicial District Court Parish of Claiborne State of Louisiana by interchange with the Judge of said district – in Open Court – Isabell Bell – a resident of the State of Louisiana Parish of Claiborne aged eighty-one years – who being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed July 29th 1848. That she is the widow of Robert Scott who was a private in the Revolutionary War between the United States of America and Great Britain that he served as a Private ten months commencing in May 1781 in Captain William Smith's Troop of L D [Light Dragoons] in the Regiment commanded by Lieutenant Colonel John Thomas, General Sumpters [Thomas Sumter's] Brigade – that he was in the Battles of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] and Cow Pens [Cowpens, January 17, 1781] – that at the time of his Enlistment he was a resident of the State of South Carolina in District or County of Newbry [Newberry] – that he enlisted sometime in the year 1777 – the exact time not known – nor does she know the Troop, Company or the Commanding Officers in which her said Husband first enlisted – nor the exact time or place of his discharge – but that he continued from the time of his Enlistment to the close of the War – that this is known from the declaration of her said husband his having lost all Documentary Evidence of his Enrollment and Discharge that her said husband was a Volunteer in said War. She further declares that she was married to the said Robert Scott on the 15 day of August 1797 – in the County of Lawrence [Laurens] South Carolina by the Reverend John B Kennedy in the year 1797. That her said husband the aforesaid Robert Scott died on the 13 day of January 1832 in the County of Claiborn in the State of Mississippi – that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service – but that the marriage took place previous to the 2nd of January 1800 – namely – at the time above stated. She further swears that she is now a widow never having married since the death of her said (deceased) Husband – and that she has never before made any application for a Pension. Further that all the evidence in her possession is hereto annexed.

S/ Isabell Bell



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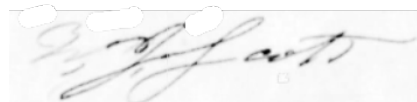
[p 5: On November 20, 1857 in Claiborne Parish Louisiana, Isabell Bell, 81, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Robert Scott reciting the same facts as set forth in her pension application but noting that her name prior to her marriage was Isabell Bell.]

[p 27: Certificate from the South Carolina Comptroller General dated August 5, 1857 which reads as follows: "I hereby certify that it appears by a "Pay roll of Captain William Smith's Troop of L. D. in the Regiment commanded by Lieutenant Colonel John Thomas, General Sumpters Brigade" that Robert Smith served 10 months as private in said Troop commencing May 1781."]

[p 29: Certificate of the South Carolina Comptroller General dated March 13, 1858 which reads as follows: "I hereby certify that the name of Robert Scott appears but once on the Revolutionary Records of this office, for duty, viz., as private 10 months, commencing May 1781, as shown by the Pay Roll of Captain William Smith's Troop of L. D. in the Regiment commanded by Lieutenant Colonel John Thomas Junior, Sumter's Brigade and it is further certify that there are no separate Pay Rolls of the Companies in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Hayes; – payments for services in the same being made upon the separate individual accounts of those who presented the same, for services performed in said Regiment."]

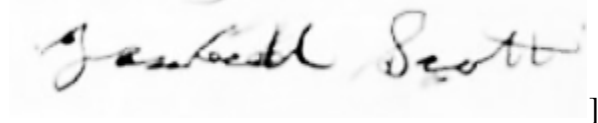
[p 24: On May 4th 1859 in Claiborne Parish, Louisiana Casby Meeks [could be Weeks], gave testimony that she knew the widow before her marriage to Robert Scott and that her maiden name was Isabell Bell.]

[p 56: in a letter dated June 4th, 1859 the correspondent refers to the petition by “my mother” for her bounty land entitlement. The signature of the correspondent which I cannot decipher is as follows:



The name MIGHT be _ J. Scott.]

[p 22: On May 30, 1859 in the parish of Claiborne state of Louisiana, the widow filed a supplemental declaration which she signed as Isabell Scott as follows:



[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$41.66 per annum commencing February 3rd, 1853 for her said husband's service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts² relating to Robert Scott
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 6830
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² The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

April the 19th 1782

I do hereby acknowledge myself indented to William Penny or his Assigns the Negro Which I am to Draw from the Public of South Carolina for my Ten months Service it being for value received And for the said Service I have taken the oath provided for by law. Given under my hand this day & year above mentioned

Sworn Before Me

S/ P. Waters, JP

S/ Robert Scott

April the 19th 1782
 I Do hereby acknowledge my selfe indebted
 to Wm Penny or his Assignes the
 Negro Which I am to Draw from
 the Publick of South Carolina for
 my Ten months Service it being
 for value rec^d. And for the said
 Service I have taken the oath prov^d
 for us by Law Given under my
 hand this Day & year above mention^d
 Sworn before Me
 P. Waters, JP
 Robert Scott

And I do hereby Authorize William Penny to Draw all my said Negro as if I were Personally
[text too faint to discern]

April the 19th 1782

Test

S/ Jacob Nichols

S/ Robert Scott

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June 2nd 1787

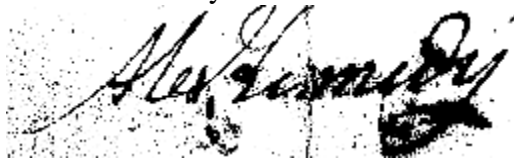
I do hereby assign the Services of Robert Scott in General Sumter's Brigade of State Troops of South Carolina to Alexander Kennedy for value Received

S/ Wm Penny



Gentlemen please to deliver the above Draw to Colonel William Polk and oblige your Humble
Servant

S/ Alex Kennedy



June 4th 1787

To the Commissioners
approved to Settle with
General Sumter's Brigade of
State Troops of South Carolina

[p 10: Printed form of indent No. 268 Book B dated October 3rd, 1791 "delivered to Robert Scott
this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of One Hundred and Three Pounds Five Shillings and
Eight Pence, being for sundry Accounts Certified by Brigadier General Thomas Sumter and
Colonel Richard Richardson as Commissioners for settling the Accounts of the State Troops."]

[p 11: Reverse of the above Indent]




[p 12: Printed form of indent No. 279 Book B dated October 3rd, 1791 "delivered to Robert Scott
this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Fifty-five Pounds seventeen Shillings and one
[pence] Sterling, being for Sundry Accounts certified by the Commissioners for settling the
Accounts of the State Troops."]