

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Field (Fields) W1161 ¹ Rahab Field

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State of South Carolina District of Pickens

On this tenth day of October 1851 personally appeared in open Court, before the Court of Ordinary, now sitting, Mrs. Rahab Field, a resident of the District in State aforesaid, aged about fifty-one years, the widow of John Field Senior in whose behalf she makes this application -- the said John Field Senior having died on the 9th of August 1842, at the age of Eighty-four years, in the District and State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to a tame the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832:

That her husband the said John Field Senior did entered the service of the United States in 1782 in Randolph County NC and served a Tour of two months in the Light Horse or Cavalry under Captain Thomas Dougan as appears by his discharge dated 7th May 1782: and that he also in the same year served three months in the same kind of service under Captain William Gray as appears by his discharge of 7th August 1782, both as private -- that but for these papers she would be unable to remember these things, although she has so often heard him speak of it. That she has reason to believe also, and does believe both from the papers before her & which her said Husband left, that he done much more service besides this, and although she cannot state how much, or the particulars, yet this certificate of Colonel Dougan, Major Dougan & Lieutenant Colonel Sharp which is herewith sent is satisfactory evidence of his having served at least six months.

She was married to him on the 27th August 1822, as will appear by the family record made by her said husband & herewith sent, that her said husband was well off in the world & did not desire to trouble himself or friends about the matter while alive and therefore did not make application for a Pension -- that since his death she has been reduced to needy circumstances, and therefore makes this application, believing from the information given her that she is entitled to something as applied for, and that thereby she may be assisted to live; and that she not married since his death, but yet remains his widow.

She hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity in this behalf, except the present; and declares that she believes his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

S/ Rahab Field, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid before me in open Court.

¹ BLWt34274-160-55

District SC

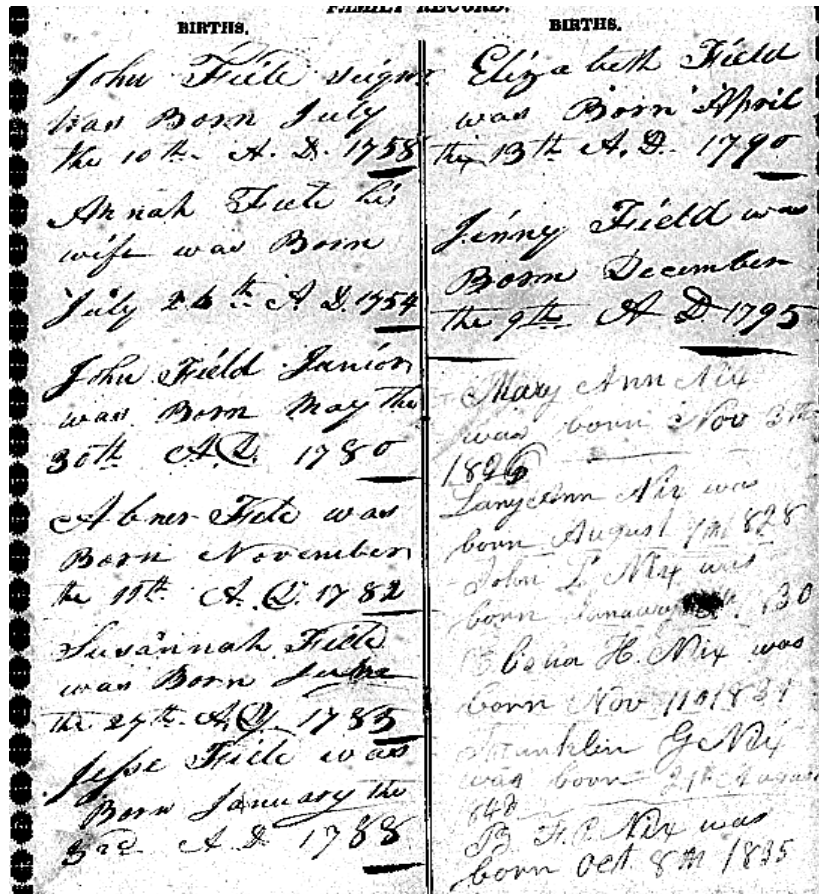
[Miles M. Norton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Family Record

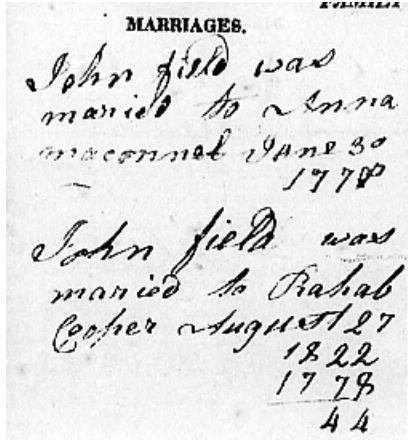
Births

John Field Seignr Was Born July the 10th A. D. 1758
 Annah Field his wife was Born July 26th A. D. 1754
 John Field Junior was Born May the 30th A. D. 1780
 Abner Field was Born November the 11th A. D. 1782
 Susannah Field was Born June the 27th A. D. 1785
 Jesse Field was Born January the 3rd A. D. 1788
 Elizabeth Field was Born April the 13th A. D. 1790
 Jinny Field was Born December the 9th A. D. 1795
 Mary Ann Nix was born Nov 3th 1826
 Lany Ann Nix was born August 7th 1828
 John L. Nix was born January 8th [?] 1830
 Elisha H. Nix was born Nov 11th 1831
 Franklin G. Nix was born 21st August 1843
 B. F. P. Nix was born Oct. 8th 1835



Marriages

John field was married to Anna Maconnel June 30 1778
John field was married to Rahab Cooper August 27 1822

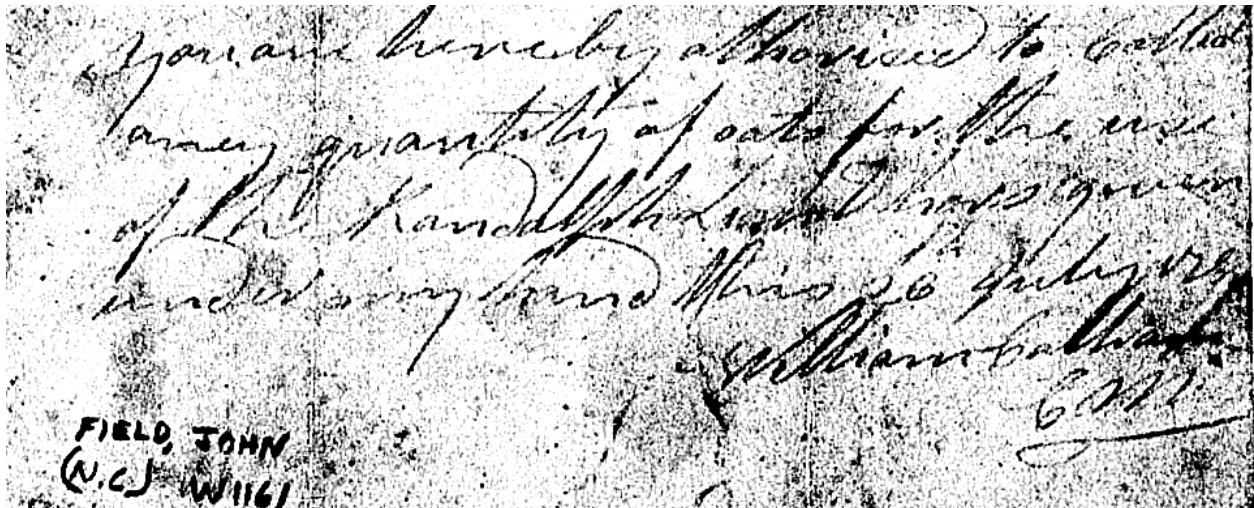


[p 12, Rahab Fields [sic] files a bounty land claim on July 20, 1855 in Greenville District, SC saying she is about 57 years old, a resident of Pickens District, SC; that her husband, John Fields, volunteered and served in Virginia and NC; that she is now in receipt of a pension for his services in the Revolution; that she married him August 27, 1822 in Pickens District, SC; that they were married by Charles Durham, Methodist minister; that her name before her marriage was Rahab Hooper [sic].]

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“You are hereby athrowised [authorized] to Called aney [any] quantity of oats for the use of the Randolph Light hors [horse] given under my hand this 26th July 178[last digit missing]

S/ William Calhoun
C. M.”



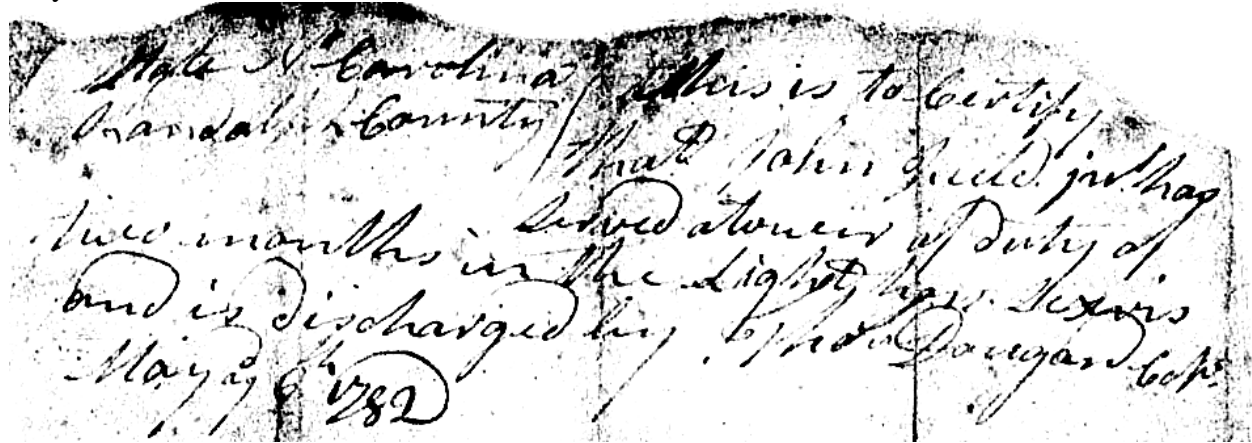
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“State of N. Carolina
Randolph County

This is to Certify
that John field jnr has
Served a tower of duty of

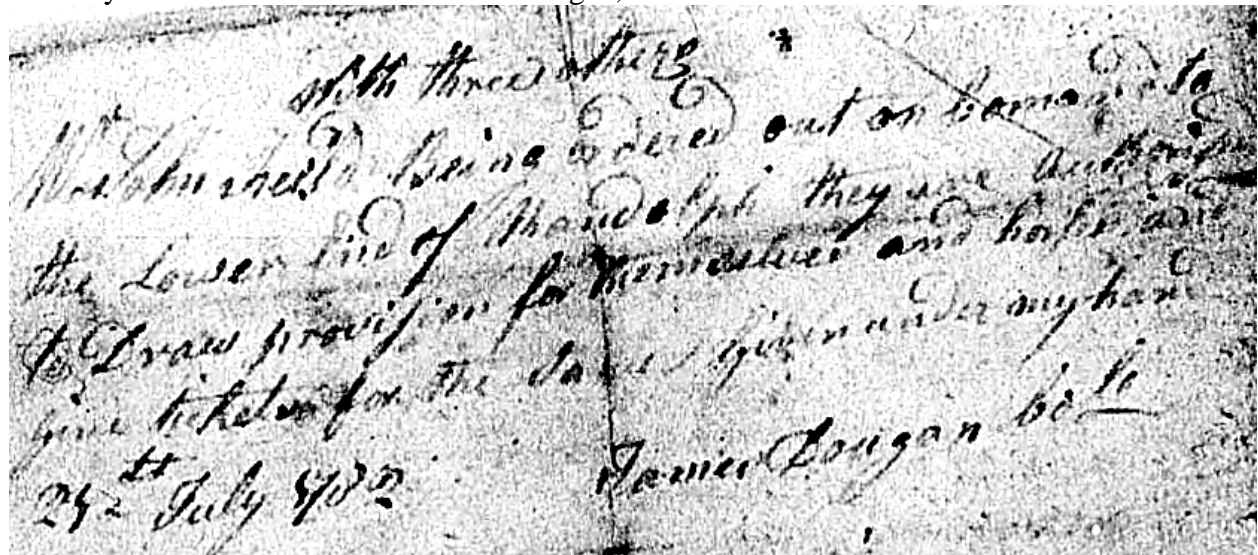
two mouths in the Light hors servis

and is discharged by Thos Dougan, Capt.
May 7th 1782”



State N^o Carolina
Randolph County
This is to certify
that John Field hath
served three months
in the Light Horse Troop
and is discharged by
Thos Dougan Capt
May 7 1782

“Mr. John Field with three others Being ordered out on Comand to
the lower line of Randolph they are authorized
to Draw provision for themselves and horses and
give tickets for the Same Given under my hand
28th July 1782 S/ James Dougan, Colo.”



Mr. John Field
with three others
being ordered out on command
to the lower line of Randolph
they are authorized
to draw provision for themselves
and horses and
give tickets for the same
given under my hand
28th July 1782
James Dougan Colo

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“Randolph County August 7th 1782

This is to Certify that John Feld hath Served three Month in the
Light hors Company for Said County and is this Day Discharged
By Me S/ William Gray Capt”

Randolph County August 7th 1782
This is to Certify that John Field took up Rob't Hookes Brass Muzzle in the
Light Horse Company for said County and is this Day Discharged
By Wm. Gray Capt

“Rec’d of John Fieldes four pounds & a Quarter
of Iron for the use of the Light Horse under
my Command, Rec’d ps [?] me
17th July 1782 S/ William Gray, Capt”

Rec'd of John Fieldes four pounds & a Quarter
of Iron for the use of the Light Horse under
my Command Rec'd from
17th July 1782 William Gray Capt

“I do Certify that John Field took up
Rob't Hookes a Continental Soldier & Deserter
Since the year 1777 & has this Day Delivered
Him to me S/ Anthy Sharp Capt
17th Sept. 1782 4th NC Regt.”

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“Randolph County
State of No. Carolina

The Bearer hereof
John Field having
Reason to travel to

Richmond County P. D.[?] These are therefore to
Desire All persons to Let him pass and Repass
unmie [?] listed About his Lawfull business he
Behaving himself as Law Directs Given

Under my hand

S/ Thomas Dougan Col.
23 June 1783"

The Board here of
State of Carolina, being
ordered to travel to
Richmond County, D.C. These are therefore to
Direct all persons to let him pass and pass
uninterrupted about his lawful business he
behaving himself as a Law Director given
under my hand
James Dougan Col.
23 June 1783

[p 38-41; long affidavits of Martha and John Gilstrap or Gilstop attesting to the marriage of Martha Cooper to John Field by Martha's father Charles Durham, a Methodist minister]

[Veteran's widow was granted a pension at the rate of \$25 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending August 9, 1842 when he died based on her husband's service as a private in the North Carolina Cavalry. She was later pensioned in her own right as the widow of a revolutionary war soldier.]