

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Pollock W18247  
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State of North Carolina

Halifax County

August Term 1845.

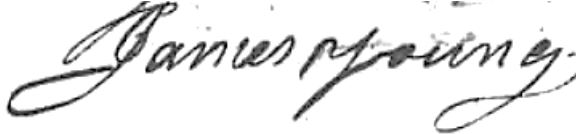
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

On this 21st day of August eighteen hundred and forty five, personally appeared before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County and State aforesaid, James Young, resident of said County and State, aged fifty six years, son of Dolphin D. Young and his wife Mary Young, (whose maiden name was Mary Bryant and was formerly the widow of Jacob Pollock) who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July the 4th 1836: And the act explanatory of said act passed March 3rd 1837-- This declarant the aforesaid James Young, in behalf of himself and the other heir (his brother) General Young, Children and the only heirs at law of Mary Young aforesaid widow of the said Dolphin D. Young, and who was formerly the widow of Captain Jacob Pollock, states that his mother the aforesaid Mary Young (as he has understood from her, and believes such to be the fact) was lawfully married in the County and State aforesaid sometime in the year (1773) Seventeen hundred and Seventy three, to Jacob Pollock, who was a Captain (as declarant understands) of the N. Ca Continental line, and served the United States as such in the War of the Revolution, and as husband and wife they lived together until the death of the said Jacob Pollock, who died (as declarant has understood from his mother the aforesaid Mary) sometime in the year (1777) Seventeen hundred and Seventy Seven, while in the service of the United States in the War aforesaid, That as to the time when the aforesaid Jacob Pollock entered the service aforesaid, and the duration of his services in said war, declarant does not know, and the only evidence that said declarant knows of which goes to prove the said Jacob Pollock served as a Captain in the aforesaid war, is the love letters which were written by the aforesaid Jacob Pollock at Wilmington No Ca in the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Six, whilst in the service of the United States (as above stated) addressed to his wife, which letters were found by declarant among the papers of his mother the aforesaid Mary since her death, also the Certificate of the Secretary of the State aforesaid showing that his mother the aforesaid Mary Young was allowed by the Legislature of No Ca three thousand eight hundred and forty acres of land on account of the services of her husband the aforesaid Jacob Pollock as a Captain of the No Ca Continental line in the War aforesaid, And also the affidavits of John Thomssen [Thompson] sen. and Wm R. Smith sen., all of which is now on file in the Pension office as declarant has been informed.-- This declarant further declares that his mother the aforesaid Mary Young after the death of her first husband the aforesaid Jacob Pollock (who died

at the time as before stated by declarant) intermarried (in the year Seventeen hundred and eighty three) with his father the aforesaid Dolphin D. Young who departed this life in the month of March (1795) Seventeen hundred and ninety five, and that declarants mother the aforesaid Mary remained his widow untill her death, which took place on the 11th day of Feb. (1841) eighteen hundred and forty one, leaving surviving the following two Children (viz) this declarant James Young, and his brother General Young, who is about sixty two years of age.--

Sworn to and subscribed on the day said... written  
[signatures]

*S/ James Young*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Young". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ James Young".

Sect William W Daniel Clk CC  
James Young

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State of North Carolina

Halifax County

I William W. Daniel Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby Certify that satisfactory evidence has been addressed before said Court (now in session) That Mary Young (widow of Dolphin D. Young) was formily [sic] the widow of Jacob Pollock who was a Captain in the War of the Revolution; And said Court are of oppinion [sic] that the said Mary Young was lawfully married to the aforesaid Jacob Pollock at the time as stated by declarant in the foregoing declaration. I further certify that satisfactory evidence has also been furnished said Court that the aforesaid Mary, after the death of her first husband Jacob Pollock aforesaid (who died while in the service of the United States in the War of the Revolution) as also stated by declarant and as this Court believes intermarried with declarants father the aforesaid Dolphin D. Young. That the said Dolphin D. Young died in the year (1795) Seventeen hundred and ninety five leaving the aforesaid Mary a widow, and remained his widow until her death. Further, I certify that the satisfactory evidence has also been furnished said Court that the aforesaid Mary Young (widow of said Dolphin D. Young and formily [sic] the widow of Capt. Jacob Pollock aforesaid) died on the 11th day of February (1841) eighteen hundred and forty one leaving the following two Children (viz) the declarant James Young and his brother General Young both of lawful age.--

Satisfactory evidence has also been given said Court that the declarant James Young is a man of truth, and this Statement is due ful [sic] faith and credit.--

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my Seal of Office, at Office in the Town of Halifax, This 21st day of August A.D. 1845--

[signature]

William W Daniel Clerk CC

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State of North Carolina

Office of Secretary of State

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State of North Carolina do hereby certify, that it appears of record in this office, that a land warrant for the military services of Jacob Pollock, said to have been a Captain in the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, was issued for 3,840 Acres of land on the 6th day of December 1796, drawn by Colo. Hardy Murfree, which warrant was issued on the certificate of a Field Officer, and for the quantity of land allowed by law to a Captain who served during the War, or to the Heirs of such as died in the service.

Given under my hand this 27th June 1844.

[signature]

Wm Hill Secretary of State---

*[Will Graves' transcription method]*

*[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]*

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*An act to quiet in the possession of Mary Young the right of certain lands therein mentioned.*

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this act all the right and title of what kind or nature soever that Jacob Pollock formerly a Captain in the Continental Army of this State might have had in his lifetime to a certain military land Warrant, number 4170 for 3840 acres of land dated the 26<sup>th</sup> day of December 1796, shall be and the same is hereby vested in fee simple to Mary Young of Halifax County formerly the wife of the said Jacob Pollock but lately the wife of Dolph Young deceased in as full and ample a manner as if the said Mary Young had been the heir at law or devisee of the said Jacob Pollock deceased, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.*

*Read three times and ratified in General Assembly the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December A.D. 1801*

*S/ Jo. Reddick, S. S.*

*S/ J. Cabarrus Sp. H. C.*

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*State of North Carolina Office of Secretary of State's Office*

*I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears of record in this Office that a land Warrant was issued for the services of Jacob Pollock a Captain in the Continental line of this State No. 2120 for 3840 Acres on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 1796, drawn by Colonel Hardy Murfree; at which time all warrants for such service was issued on the certificates of Field Officers. This Warrant was for the quantity of land allowed by law to a Captain who served during the war, or died, or was killed in the service, and was no doubt issued on the certificate of Colonel Hardy Murfree, which is lost, or mislaid as it is not now to be found in the Office.*

*I do not find the name of Jacob Pollock on the muster rolls in this Office. He may have been a Captain of Cavalry of which there are no roles in this Office, and there are no records of the appointments of Continental Officers in this office except such as appear of the muster rolls.*

*Given under my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1846*

*S/ William Hill, Secretary of State*

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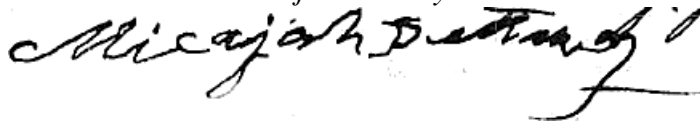
*The affidavit of Major Micajah Pettway<sup>1</sup> in the case of Mary Young formerly the widow of Captain Jacob Pollock Deceased for an increase of pension.*

*State of North Carolina Edgecombe County}*

*On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 1849 personally appeared before me James Bridgers an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, Major Micajah Pettway a Private and Adjutant in the War of the Revolution, and a Pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$129.99 per annum, resident of said County and State, aged 89 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath certify that in the month of May 1776, while in the service of the United States, he was in the Town of Wilmington North Carolina, and that he left there in the month of June 1776, and went to Charleston South Carolina, and that while in Wilmington, if Captain Jacob Pollock was then in Wilmington, (and he thinks he was there) he must have seen him, as the Army was often on parade while there, though he was not personally acquainted with him. That he often heard Captain Jacob Pollock spoken of, while in the Army of the United States in the War aforesaid, and since the War, and that his impression is, that Captain Pollock died some time in the year 1777 while in the service of the United States in the aforesaid War, and that he understood that he died very Suddenly. Sworn to and Subscribed the day & year above written before*

*S/ James Bridgers, JP*

*S/ Micajah Pettway*



[p 37: literal transcription of a letter dated July 8, 1776 sent by the veteran to his wife]

*July 8<sup>th</sup> 1776*

*Dear Wife this Coms [comes] to Let you know that I am in Wilmonton [Wilmington, NC] and shall be stason [stationed] her [here] I bevlle [believe] I am Well at Present onle [only] a bad Cole [cold] Which I hope you ar [are] <sup>well</sup> I Can hear from you som [some] Times Capt Charles Jacobs is her [here] and Lodges With me he Gave me Account of things that had ben [been] past Sence [since] My Back Was turned Which I Will [well] Remember My Love to the gentlemen for all thing is Well I hope I shall have suchses [success] in my under Takens [undertakings] all tho [although] ther [there] is foses [? forces?] ther [there]. Ther [there] has be [been] a batle [battle] at Charles town [Charleston, SC] and a very grat [great] won [? win?] we lost a but [about] ten men or but twenty woud [wounded] the Los [loss] of King Trup [Troops] uppers of 300 hundred at this time I have not Time to Rite [write] so full as What I Will in a few days I shall have in a but [about] for [four] weaks [weeks] from this remember me to all that ax [ask] arter [after] me from your Loven [loving] husbon [husband]*

*Jacob Pollock*

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<sup>1</sup> [Micajah Pettaway \(Petway, Pettway\) S3668](#)

July 8<sup>th</sup> 1776

Dear Wife this comes to let you know that I am in Wilmington  
and shall be stason her I be to I am Well at Present onle a  
bad Cole Which I hope you <sup>will</sup> can hear from you som  
times Capt Charles Jacobs is her and Lodges with me he gave me  
Account of things that had ben part some May Back this  
turn which I will remember My Love to the gentle men  
for all thing is Well I hope I shall have success in my  
under Tackon all the ther is for as ther ther had be a battle  
at Charles town and a very great won we lost a but ten  
men a but twenty more the Los of King Traps upson of 300 hundred  
of this time I have not time to write to full as that I will in a few  
Days I shall be in a but for much from this remember me to  
all that ax letter in from your Loven husband

Jacob Pollack

[p 48: literal translation of another letter, this 1 dated June 9, 1776 from the veteran and to his widow.]  
1776 Wilmington [Wilmington, NC] June 9<sup>th</sup> day

Deare Wife this Comes to Let you know that I am in Good helth [health] and I hope your [you] <sup>are</sup> so all  
the Ships of Ware [War] are Goune [gone] but three or fore [four] to Charls Town [Charleston, SC] by  
What we can find out the first and secon [second] and third Ridgments [Regiments] is Gorn [gone]  
ther [there] from Hear [here] and I shall gon [go] a Down To morrow [tomorrow] to Cary [carry] a  
flag a bord [aboard] of the maner ware [man of war?] a bout [about] forty mile by Water from hear  
[here] your farther [father] Came this side of Tarbery [Tarboro, NC] and I hant [haven't] heard from  
him sence [since] Nehey [could be Nekey] is hear [here] and very Well and all that you know they  
[they] all cus [cuss] the day they [they] worn [were] born a most [almost?] and the [they?] have ben  
[been] no fitin [fighting] hear [here] and I Donet [don't] think the [there] Will the [be?] ant [ain't] so  
much toake [talk] about it [here] as ther [there] is the [there] I have hear [heard] of my Brother David  
and had a Leter [letter] from him he is Well and Live [lives] a bout [about] Twenty mile [miles] from  
hear [here] I shall Come as Son [soon] as I Can Don't be onessea [?] I Com [come] by the Last of  
July With out faile [fail] I have Nothing more to Rite [write] Worth wile [worthwhile] I should be mity  
[mighty] glad to be With you to tell you Soum [some] things but Shall be foure [before] Long Rememer  
[remember] my Love to all my frends [friends] if I have eany [any] that axs [ask] after me from [your]  
Loven [Loving] husbon [husband] untell [until] Death mthen [nothing] more to Rite [write] Worth  
while

S/ Jacob Pollack

1776 Wilmington June 9<sup>th</sup> Day

Dear Wife this comes to let you know that  
I am in good health and hope you <sup>are</sup> so all the  
ships of War are gone but three or four to Charles  
Town by what we can find out the first and second  
and third Regiments is gone their from there and  
I shall go a Down to morrow to Gary a  
flag a board of the manner were a bout forty mile  
by Water from here your father came this side  
of Tarberry and I hant heard from him since  
Vebey is hear and very Well and all that you hear  
they all are the day they worn born a most and  
he have ben no fetter hear and I Donot think they  
will the ant so much to be a bout it as there is  
there I have hear of my Brother David and had  
a Letter from him he is Well and living a bout  
Twenty mile from here I shall come as  
soon as I can Donot be encesea I com by the last  
of July with out fail I have nothing more to  
to write with wife I should be nily glad to  
be with you to tell you down things but  
that is before long Remember my Love to all  
my ~~dear~~ friends if have sany that axes  
after me from Leven husben un tell.  
Death nother more to write with while  
Jacob Pollock

[Veteran's former widow was granted a posthumous pension initially in the amount of \$134.66 per annum subsequently increased to \$240 per annum beginning March 4, 1831 and ending with her death on February 11, 1841. The amount of her pension was based on her former husband's service as a Captain in the North Carolina Continental line.]