

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Stephen Fulford W1849

Lovisa Fulford

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State of North Carolina Carteret County

On this 27th day of December in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before me Samuel C. Davis one of the Justices of the Peace in & for the County & State aforesaid Stephen Fulford the elder a resident of the Straits [?]¹ in the County & State aforesaid aged nearly 84 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he was drafted in Carteret County aforesaid & changed places with one who had enlisted to serve at Fort Hancock on Cape Lookout Bay where he, the Declarer, served in the station of first Sergeant for and during the term of one year, under the command of Captain John Tillman and Lieutenant Zephaniah Pinkham and was paid off by Colonel William Thompson of Beaufort North Carolina to whom the Declarer gave his discharge in the year __

That he the Declarer served as Ensign under Colonel Ward Captain J. Fulford & Lieutenant Foot in a volunteer Corps that went to within 9 miles of Wilmington NC to check the British & prevent their marching into the State further & stayed about one month.

That he served as a Commissary in a Volunteer Corps under Colonel John Eason who went to New Bern & remained 10 or 12 days.

That he the Declarer has no documentary evidence of his services are performed at Fort Hancock can be proved by __

That he the Declarer was born February 12, 1749 in Carteret County aforesaid & in the Straits [?] where he has lived ever since. His age was recorded by the Recorder but where the records are he does not know.

That he the Declarant is known to Josiah Willis and Isaac Hellen of Carteret in his neighborhood who can testify to his character for veracity and good behavior and their belief of his the Declarer's services in the Revolution.

I the said Stephen Fulford do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Stephen Fulford, Senior

¹ *Straits*

Stephen Fulford senior

[Isaac Hellen, post master, and Josiah Willis gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

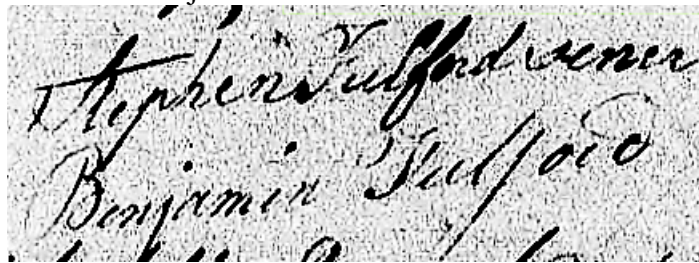
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State of North Carolina Carteret County

Personally appeared before me this fifth day of February Stephen Fulford and Benjamin Fulford both of this state and County aforesaid and maketh oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that Zephaniah Pinkham, Nathaniel Pinkham, John Broks [could be Broke]², John Dill [could be Hill], Nathan Adams, Isaiah Davis, William Smith, Samuel Guthery, Solomon Guthery, Robert White House, Zabed Jones William Pigatt [could be Pigott], Reuben Fuller and Francis Garner each and every one of them enlisted as soldiers in the Continental Line of this State and were stationed at Fort Hancock at Cape Lookout Bay in the County of Carteret that we do not know how long they served we are personally acquainted with them and do verily believe they never received any compensation we both served with them 12 months under one Captain John Tillman

S/ Stephen Fulford, Senior

S/ Benjamin Fulford

A rectangular image showing two handwritten signatures in cursive ink. The top signature reads "Stephen Fulford senior" and the bottom signature reads "Benjamin Fulford".

Sworn to before me this the 5th day of February in the year A.D. 1821 [?] Wallace D. Styron one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Carteret.

S/ Wallace D. Styron

[On December 3, 1849, in Carteret County, NC, Lovisa Fulford, 83 years old the 15th day of April last past, applied for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of Stephen Fulford a pensioner of the US; that she married him March 12, 1797; that he died February 4, 1834. Her application with her mark.]

[p 18: Samuel Leffers, the JP before Lovisa made her application, states in his attestation of her application that she is unable to attend court because "she is suffering from a severe cancerous affection of the face...."]

[p 15: On December 3, 1849 in Carteret County North Carolina, Josiah Willis gave testimony that he was present at the marriage of Steven Fulford and Lovisa Willis in 1796 or 7; that Steven Fulford died February 4, 1834 and that Lovisa remains a widow. His relationship, if any, to the widow is not stated.

² I suspect this is a reference to John Brooks FPA S2398

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Josiah Willis". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, textured background. The name is written in a fluid, connected style typical of the late 18th or early 19th century. The signature is enclosed in a small rectangular box with a closing bracket on the right side.

[p 17: On December 10, 1849 in Carteret County North Carolina, Abigail Simpson gave testimony that she was present at the marriage of Steven Fulford and Lovisa Willis sometime in the month of March 1787; that they were married by Thomas Chadwick, JP; and that Lovisa remains a widow. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$65 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Sergeant for 13 months in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]