

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Young ¹ W1976
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Nancy Young f89SC
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South Carolina, Greenville District} SS

On this ninth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting John Young a resident of the district and State aforesaid aged Seventy years, who being 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. He saith that he entered the service in the 18th year of his age, in the year 1780 in the district of Spartanburg South Carolina.

He was born in Frederick County Virginia the 1st of December 1762. He entered the service as a volunteer under Captain Major Parsons [sic, Major Parson] Regiment commanded by Colonel John Thomas about the 1st of November 1780 – was at the Battle of Blackstock's [November 20, 1780] on Enoree River [sic, Tyger River] South Carolina, then in the company of Captain Thomas Price in Thomases [John Thomas, Jr.'s] Regiment under the command of General Thomas Sumter, who at the time & place here stated defeated Colonel Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] – was after the battle of Blackstock's principally engaged in defending the frontiers against the incursions of the Indians, under the command of Colonel Benjamin Roebuck – was in a skirmish [Bush River, May 1, 1781] with the Tories on Bush River Laurens, South Carolina – under Colonel Roebuck & Lieutenant Colonel White [Henry White], at which place the latter was wounded. After this they returned to their own settlement where they were frequently engaged in skirmishes with the Indians.

After this he further saith that he was a Lieutenant of a Company, of which he had the command; and was with General Greene at Bacon's Bridge over the Ashley River when the British were compelled to enclose themselves in Charleston under Lord Rawdon.

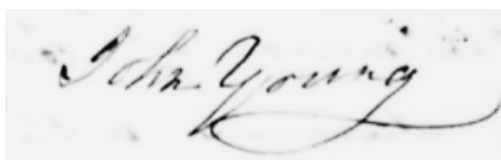
The troops were then generally discharged and this deponent among others returned to his home. The only documentary evidence which he has of his service is an indent certificate from John Edwards Commissioner of the Treasury of South Carolina, dated 19th April 1787 for the sum of ninety pounds, nineteen shillings & three pence Sterling, for services during the year 1780, 1781 & 1782. And that George Salmon² who subscribes to the certificate hereunto annexed is the only living witness present by whom he can prove his services. He saith that he served in all between two & three years. That his name is not on any pension roll & that he hereby relinquishes all claim whatever to any pension or annuity except the present.

S/ J. McDaniel, C. C. P.

S/ John Young

¹ BLWt18213-160-55

² [George Salmon W9640](#)



[Nathan Berry, a clergyman, and George Salmon gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of South Carolina, did Greenville District

Personally appeared before me James McDaniel clerk of the court of Common Pleas, George Salmon and being duly sworn makes oath that he is well acquainted with the petitioner John Young, that he served during the revolution part of his time with said Young & that they were together at the Battle of Blackstock's.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 9 October 1832

S/ J. McDaniel, C. C. P.

S/ Geo. Salmon



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State of South Carolina, Greenville District

Personally appeared John Young before me Richard Thurston one of the Justices of the State aforesaid and being duly sworn on his oath makes the following further declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of June 7, 1832 --

That he entered the Army as he is already set forth in his first declaration – and that by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served as a private, commanded by the officers heretofore in his first declaration named not less than two years – and three months, when he was by his company elected as a first Lieutenant, in which capacity he served for eight months; but that he never received either a commission or discharge. Also that William Goodlett,³ David Morton,⁴ George Salmon, James Alexander⁵ and others are acquainted with this deponent and can certify to his services.

Sworn to and subscribed the 13 July 1833

S/ Rich'd Thurston, J. Q.

S/ John Young

[p 86: An image of the original Indent issued by the state of South Carolina to John Young for ninety pounds nineteen shillings and three pence principal, and six pounds, seven shillings and four pence interest, in payment for “Militia Duty as Private & Lieutenant in 1780, 1781 & 1782 under Colonel Roebuck.”

p 87 reverse:

“Received 24 Sept. 1787, from the Commissioner of the Treasury Four year’s Interest on the within Indent due 1 April 1787 – Also Rec’d the sum of Twenty six Pounds, 7^s/4^p”

3 [William Goodlett W8857](#)

4 [David Morton S21380](#)

5 [James Alexander W9327](#)

in part of the within Principal, by [indecipherable word] in
purchase of 1130 Acres of Land--
£25:9:4=? Int.
£26:7:4 In Land

S/ John Young"

Received 24 Sept. 1787 from the Comrs of
the Treasury Four years Interest on the
within Indent due 11 April 1787 - £25
the sum of Twenty five Pounds 9s 4d in
part of the within Principal, by disch. in
purchase of 1130 Acres of Land
£25:9:4=499 4d
£26:7:4 In Land
John Young

[Young assigned the balance of the money due him under the above indent to George Seaborn.]

[p 14: On August 28, 1848 in Greenville District South Carolina, Nancy Young, aged 71, filed for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of John Young, a revolutionary war pensioner; she thinks her husband served as a Lieutenant; that she married him in February 1797; that her husband died April 14, 1835 and that she remains his widow.

S/ Nancy Yong [sic]

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[Veteran died April 13 or 14, 1835. John Young married Nancy Salmon in February 1797 in Greenville District SC. She was born October 5, 1777; she died sometime prior to September 1855. They had the following children with their dates of birth

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Henry Ellis | August 1, 1798 |
| Elizabeth Berksdale | October 21, 1800 |
| Mary Esther Videau | October 28, 1802 (died Dec. 1802) |
| Eliza | August 5, 1804 |
| Lewis Clarke | October 17, 1806 |
| Francis | August 22, 1808 |
| James | March 23, 1810 |
| Francis Marion | November 13, 1811 |
| Andrew Jackson | July 26, 1814 |
| Lucretia | May 31, 1816 |
| Mary | May 25, 1818 |

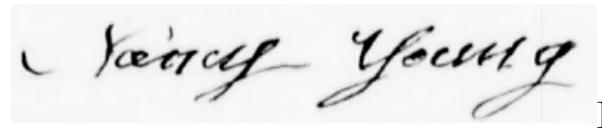
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September 23, 1821

Thomas L. Ligon, born November 31, 1844, son of Col. Ligon and grandson of the veteran.]

[p 78: On February 20, 1849 in Greenville District South Carolina, Mrs. Elizabeth Salmon gave testimony that she married the brother of Nancy Young; that she was well acquainted with John Young, a revolutionary soldier and his wife Nancy Young whose maiden name was Salmon; that the veteran and Nancy married in the house of John Salmon in Greenville district South Carolina sometime between 1796 and 1798 she thinks in 1796; that their oldest child, Henry E., was born August 1, 1798; that the affiant remembers the date of the marriage of the veteran and Nancy based on the fact that the affiant's 2nd child was born on March 7, 1798 and that the veteran and Nancy were married prior to that date. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 10: On May 2, 1855 in Greenville District South Carolina, Nancy Young filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of a revolutionary war soldier; in this petition, she states that she married John Young in Greenville District in April 1777 or 1778; that they were married by James Douthit a Methodist minister; that her name prior to her marriage was Nancy Sammons [sic, "Salmon" in other documents in this file]; that her husband died April 13, 1835 and that she remains a widow.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Young". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. The first name "Nancy" is written in a larger, more prominent hand than the last name "Young". The signature is enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]