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Pension Application of Archibald Young W206

Sarah Young

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State of Tennessee

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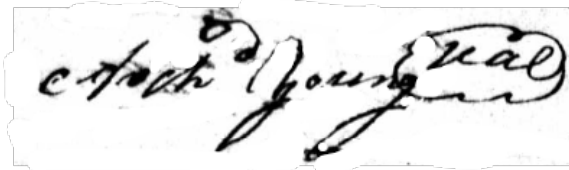
Sixth Judicial Circuit

Be it remembered that the undersigned Archibald Young, this day appeared before me Alfred M Harris one of the circuit Judges in & for the State of Tennessee and being solemnly sworn deposed & saith, that he did on the 15th of March 1776, in the county of Pittsylvania & State of Virginia, enlist as a private soldier in a company commanded by Thomas Hutchings¹, in the Sixth Regiment of Virginia troops on the continental establishment and did serve pursuant to said enlistment during the revolutionary war against the common enemy Great Britain on the continental establishment as aforesaid for the said term of two years, when he was honorably discharged. But he has lost the same through time or accident. He is a citizen of the United States and resident in the county of Giles & State of Tennessee. His pay warrant was in depreciated money and was in fact of little or no service to him. He is now in the seventy fourth year of his age as he believes he is quite poor & infirm He stands in need of assistance of his country for a support. He hath never received a pension from the United States.

He hereby relinquishes his claim to every pension granted him by the laws of United States previous to the passage of an Act of Congress thereof entitled as Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed both houses of Congress on the 9th March 1818 and signed by the President on the 21st of the same month. He prays to be placed on the pension Act agreeably to the provisions of said act – 31st August 1818.

Subscribed & sworn to before
me the day & date afsd.
Alfred M Harris Judge
of the 6th Judicial Circuit
of the State of Tennessee

Archd. Young (Seal)



Be it further remembered that at the same time and place appeared before me the undersigned John Morrison² also being solemnly sworn deposed and saith that he knows of the enlistment of the above named Archibald Young, and of his service as stated in his affidavit, except the time. This affiant thinks it was two years, as he served a considerable part of the time in the same company & Regiment with the said Young and has no doubt of the term of service being two years. 31st August 1818.

John X Morrison

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & date above written
Alfred M Harris Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit of the State of Tennessee (Ss)
State of Tennessee
Sixth Judicial Circuit

To the Honorable the Secretary of the Department of War for the United States

I Alfred M Harris one of the circuit Judges in and for the State of Tennessee do hereby certify that the foregoing affidavits of Archibald Young and John Morrison were taken before me on this day; and that I am entirely satisfied that the said Archibald Young served in the War of the revolution in the manner & for the term stated in his affidavit. Given under my hand & seal this 31st August 1818

Alfred M Harris (seal)
Judge of the 6th Judicial
Circuit of the State of Tennessee

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State of Tennessee &

This day personally appeared before me Alfred M Harris Judge of the 6th Judicial circuit of the state of Tennessee, the undersigned Archibald Young (who hath petitioned his government for a pension & whose papers have been returned to me from the War Department with this endorsement viz "The Colonels name should be mentioned – Wanting the certificate of the judge as to reduced circumstances of each applicant (Morrison was also enclosed) annexed to each declaration 5th May 1819" who upon his oath says that Col. Buckner³ commanded the Regiment to which he belonged when in service as stated in his declaration heretofore made 7th August 1819.

Subscribed and sworn to the day and date above written Archd Young (Seal)

Alfred M Harris
Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit of the State of Tennessee

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State of Tennessee &

To the Honorable the Secretary of the Department of War for these United States.

I Alfred M Harris Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit of the State of Tennessee do hereby certify that the foregoing affidavit of Archibald Young was taken by me this day and that said Young is in reduced circumstances; & in my opinion stands in need of assistance for a support. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 7th day of August 1819.

Alfred M Harris (Seal)
Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit of the
State of Tennessee

State of Tennessee)
Giles County)

I Henry Hagen Clerk of the Circuit Court of Giles County do hereby Certify that Thomas Stuart whose name is subscribed to the annexed certificate is one of the Circuit Judges of State of Tennessee. In Testimony whereof I have set my hand & affixed my private seal of Office at Office in Pulaski this 23rd day of October 1819

Henry Hagen Clk

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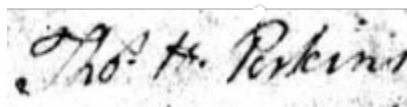
State of Tennessee

This day personally appeared before me Thomas Stuart Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit of the State of Tennessee Thomas H. Perkins⁴ who is to me well known and who is a man of undoubted credit and respectability, and made oath that during the revolutionary war he himself was an ensign in a company commanded by Capt Thomas Hutchings in the sixth regiment of the Virginia Line upon continental establishment which regiment was commanded by Col. Buckner whose first name he does not remember. That he well remembers the above name as Archibald Young now in his presence and view to have been a private soldier in said company. This deponent commanded in said company for two years and a little more and he believes, and his understanding was that all the soldiers of said company were enlisted as soldiers for two years. That said Archibald Young was an orderly soldier as far as he knows or believes. He was an ensign in said company on the day of the Declaration of independence and afterwards was a lieutenant he has seen said Young ^{many years ago} several times since both left the Army in Pittsylvania County Virginia where said company was made up⁵ but has not seen him for many years until a few days ago. he knows nothing of his circumstances and further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 19th day of October 1819.

Thos. Stuart.

Thos. H. Perkins



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State of Tennessee)
Giles County)

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
August Term 1832

Declaration in Order to Obtain the benefit
Of the Act of Congress passed June 7th. 1832

On this twentieth day of August 1832 Personally appeared in Open Court before Alexr. Black, Robert Obrien & Archd. McKeppack Justices Esqrs. & now sitting Archibald Young a resident of said County, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth make the following declaration That on the 26th day of November 1819 he was placed on the Pension List Roll of the West, at \$8.00 pr. Month as will be seen by his certificate hereto annexed, that under said certificate he drew two years pay & was then ~~dropped~~ struck from the ~~Roll~~ same, in consequence of having a little more property than was allowed to be held by him as a pensioner. He further states that he was a Private in the sixth Virginia Regiment of Regulars, that his present place of residence is in Giles County Tennessee & that he resided in the same place

when he made his first application. He also states that he made application under the Law of Congress 15th. May 1828, but that he never recd. a return, & draws no pension whatever.

Archibald Young

State of Tennessee

Giles County Court August Term 1832

Personally appeared in open Court Archibald Young the petitioner in the foregoing declaration and made oath that the matters and things therein stated as of his own knowledge are true and those states as on information he believes to be true.

In testimony whereof I German Lester
Clerk of said Court have hereunto set
my hand & affixed the seal of
said Court at Office in Pulaski
this 20th day of August 1832
German Lester Clerk

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In the matter of the application of Sarah Young for the benefit of the Pension Laws as the widow of Archibald Young decd., a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States

Be it remembered on the 4th day of July AD 1849, at her own house in the County of Giles State of Tennessee, before Mr. B.F. Richey, a Justice of the Peace of said County, personally appeared Sarah Young aged about eighty nine years with whom I am personally acquainted, who having been duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelist according to law, declares, in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the Acts of 1836 & 1838 & any other Act of Congress applicable to her case.

That she was born about the year AD 1760, and was married when eighteen years of age to Archibald Young, in the County of Mecklenburgh [sic: Mecklenburg], State of North Carolina, at her fathers house near Hopewell Meeting House, by one John McKnight, a Justice of the Peace of said County. She thinks that sometime in the month of July AD 1778, and after her marriage, her husband Archibald Young served as a Revolutionary Soldier about two years & six months, during which time her husband sent her fifty dollars by hands of Col. Washington⁶, to bear her expenses to Pittsylvania County Virginia, whither she went at the time the British was in North Carolina.

After the war she lived with her husband in Pittsylvania County Virginia, until about the year 1810 when they removed to Middle Tennessee, and settled permanently in Giles County, State of Tennessee, where her late husband lived until the 12th day of November AD 1834, when he departed this life, being at the time of his death a Pensioner of the United States on the Revolutionary Roll, at the rate of _____ dollars per annum.

She further declares that she has no family record of birth or of marriage or of her husband, now in existence, nor is she able to find any, either in the records of the County Court of Mecklenburgh [sic: Mecklenburg], at Charlotte, nor in the church records of Hopewell Meeting House, in North Carolina, nor does she know of any living witnesses by which she can prove her marriage, unless here brother Joseph Powell, of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, or here husbands brother Wilie Young, of

Anderson County, State of Tennessee, be yet living. If either of them be living, she is satisfied that the time of her marriage can be proved, for she believes that both of them were present at the celebration of the rites.

One or both of them may have family records in relation to this matter, but she has not heard from them for a long time.

She further declares that she is still a widow, never having remarried since her husband Archibald Young's death.

Sarah (X) Young

Acknowledged signed & sworn to before me the day & year & place above written.

B.F. Richey (Justice of the Peace)

State of Tennessee)
Giles County) I further certify that Sarah Young who subscribed and swore to the foregoing Declaration before me on the day above stated is aged about 89 years, according to the best of my belief; that she is the widow of Archibald Young decd. who was a Revolutionary Soldier, and is still a widow, never having married since his death, and that owing to age & infirmity of body she is unable to travel seventeen miles to the Court House of Giles County and that she is known & reputed in her neighborhood to be woman of truth an veracity, and that all her statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

This 4th day of July AD 1849

B.F. Richey (J.P.)

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State of Tennessee)
Anderson County)

On this 30th day of April A D 1849 before me James Hall a Justice of the Peace of Said County Wiley Young of Said County aged about Seventy Seven years personally appeared & having been duly sworn according to law declares that he is the brother of Archibald Young Decd., in his lifetime a citizen of Giles County State of Tennessee that the said Archibald Young was married to Sarah Powell in the State of North Carolina the name of the county not recollected about the ^{year} 1778 before the end of the revolutionary War that he believes that the marriage ceremony was performed by an Esq. McNight who is now dead

Affiant further states that he has ^{a copy his} Fathers Family record & that he Wily Young was borned in the year 1772 & that his brother Archibald Young was bornd about the ^{year} 1757. & that he was a soldier in the revolutionary war & that he removed with his family about thirty five years ago to Giles County State of Tennessee wheare he lived untill about the year AD 1837 wheare he departed this life being at the time of his death a pensioner on the Revolutionary Roll of the United States & wheare his widow the said Sarah Young still lives aged between eighty five & ninety years old.

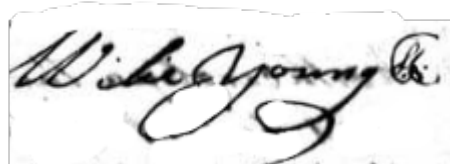
Affiant further states that his late brother Archibald Young was married in the State of North Carolina County not recollected he then Removed to the State of Virginia wheare he lived until about the year 1810 when he removed to the County of Giles State of Tennessee wheare he continued to live until about the year A.D. 1834 Middle Tennessee Giles County [5] In which last County he departed this life as above stated in the year eighteen hundred & thirty four.

Affiant further states that he knew that they weare married & lived together as Man & wife ~~for~~ until his death & had children named Jarret Archibald Sally H.

Affiant further states that he is not interested either directly or indirectly in the application of said widow for a pension as the widow as his brother of the late Archibald Young.

Sworn & subscribed before

Wilie Young (seal)

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wilie Young" with a small flourish at the end.

me on the day & year
above written

James Hall (seal)
Justice of the peace

I further certify that Wily Young aged about 77 years is a citizen of Anderson County State of Tennessee that he is a man of good character & Known & Reputed to be a man of Truth & that his statements are entitled to faith & credit.

James Hall (seal)
Justice of the peace

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A Copy of the Original Register contained in the family Bible of Archibald Young Dec^d. the Husband of Sarah Young

Archibald Young & Sarah Young was
married on the 9th day of June 1769

Elizabeth Young was Born
April 20th 1771

Pendleton Young was born
1st day of March 1774

Jarret Young was born
18th day of April 1785

Haley Young was born
8th day of Feby 1788.

Archibald Young was born

12th day of June 1790

Francis Young was born

13th day of May 1793

Sarah Young was born

6th day of March 1797

State of Tennessee) This Day personally appeared

Giles County) Samuel Wakefield & Sarah

Young the wife of Archibald Young Senior Deseased and also Sarah Meadows and made oath that the above is a true Copy of the original family Record of Archibald Young Senior now Deseased Sworn to and Subscribed to Before me James K White an Acting Justice of the peace for Giles County Tennessee

December 14th 1844

Samuel Wakefield (seal)

J.K. White (J.P.)

Sarah X Young (seal)

for Giles County

Sarah X Meadows (seal)

Additional facts in file:

[76] Archibald Young of Giles County, Tennessee, who was private in the regiment commanded by Colonel Buckner of the Virginia line for a term of two years inscribed on the roll of West Tennessee at the rate of 8 dollars per month to commence on the 31st day of August 1818.

[2] Archibald Young of Giles County, Tennessee who was private in the regiment commanded by Col. Buckner in the Virginia line for 2 years from 1776, was placed on the pension roll of West Tennessee at the rate of \$80.00 per annum to commence the 4th day of March 1831.

[3] On 14 Jan 1850, Sarah Young, widow of Archibald Young who served in revolutionary War as a private for two years, was placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$80.00 per annum to commence the 4th day of March 1848.

[8] Widow Sarah Young died 28 Jan 1850, leaving two children, Francis Smith and Sarah Meadows.

Additional evidence of service:

A muster roll of Cap^t Peter Duns Company of the Sixth Virginia Regiment of Continental Forces Commanded by Lieut. Colo. James Hendricks Taken at Middlebrook May the 31st 1777

Musick –

Archibald Young / Remarks – Deserted March ye 1st 1777

[Revolutionary War Rolls, Virginia, 6th Regiment (1776-1778), Folder 167, page 2]

A Pay Roll of Cap^t. Peter Duns Company of the sixth Virg^a. Reg^t. of Continal Forces Commanded by Lieu^t. Col^o. James Hendricks for 1 Month Viz. from the 1st of April to the 1 of May 1777

Archelus Young Drumr. Deserted

[Revolutionary War Rolls, Virginia, 6th Regiment (1776-1778), Folder 167, page 20]

These are the only rolls on which Archibald Young appears, and as a musician, not a private. There is nothing to suggest he returned before the general discharge of the soldiers of the company in March 1778. He does report that he was honorably discharged and received a pay voucher but no other record corroborating these statements has been found.

In the same company was Haley or Healy Young, who appears only on the same two rolls as Archibald Young, and on the 31 May 1777 muster roll, is also noted as having deserted 1 May 1777. Revolutionary War Service Records, Virginia, 6th Regiment (1776-1778): "Young, Healey, John" accessed 24 Feb 2021 at <https://www.fold3.com/image/22844718> . As noted above, Archibald and Sarah Powell Young named a son Haley Young, so this Haley Young may have been a relation.

¹ Thomas Hutchings. For a brief biography of Thomas Hutchings, see <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/memories/LWFW-KZ8> . He was succeeded by Peter Dunn. Peter Dunn: <http://revwarapps.org/VAS3450.pdf> . Peter Dunn was succeeded by Richard Apperson: <http://revwarapps.org/blwt386-300.pdf> . James Barnett was 1st Lieutenant at that time (he succeeded James Conway R13351 <http://revwarapps.org/r13351.pdf>) and reported that he commanded the company after Dunn's death. James Barnett: W.391 <http://revwarapps.org/w391.pdf> . But Richard Apperson appears as the commander in all muster rolls in 1778. See Revolutionary War Rolls, Virginia, 6th Regiment (1776-1778), Folder 167.

² John Morrison appears on company pay rolls for Capt. Peter Dunn's Company of the 6th Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line for Apr-Oct Nov 1777 and Jan- Mar 1778, and company muster rolls for the same for May 1777-Mar 1778. The muster roll for Aug 1777 states that he enlisted until Mar 1778, and the muster roll for Mar 1778 states he was discharged 16 Mar 1778. Revolutionary War Service Records, Virginia, 6th Regiment (1776-1778): "Morrison, John" accessed 22 Feb 2021 at <https://www.fold3.com/image/23006454> . Judge Harris's letter to the Secretary of War [64] implies that John Morrison filed his own pension application at the same time, but there is no other record of it.

³ "Col. Buckner": Mordecai Buckner. According to Heitman's register, Mordecai Buckner was colonel of the 6th Virginia 13 Feb 1776, cashiered 9 Feb 1777, d. 1800. On Col. Mordecai Buckner, see generally https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mordecai_Buckner . For more details on the action that led to his court martial and dismissal from the army, see "From George Washington to John Hancock, 26 January 1777," *Founders Online*, National Archives, <https://founders.archives.gov/documents/Washington/03-08-02-0167>. [Original source: *The Papers of George Washington*, Revolutionary War Series, vol. 8, 6 January 1777–27 March 1777, ed. Frank E. Grizzard, Jr. Charlottesville: University Press of Virginia, 1998, pp. 160–163.], accessed 22 Feb 2021 at <https://founders.archives.gov/documents/Washington/03-08-02-0167> . For correspondence between George Washington and Buckner concerning the same, see "To George Washington from Colonel Mordecai Buckner, 28 January 1777," *Founders Online*, National Archives, <https://founders.archives.gov/documents/Washington/03-08-02-0177>. [Original source: *The Papers of George Washington*, Revolutionary War Series, vol. 8, 6 January 1777–27 March 1777, ed. Frank E. Grizzard, Jr. Charlottesville: University Press of Virginia, 1998, p. 169.], accessed 22 Feb 2021 at

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⁴ Thomas Harden Perkins S.3680 <https://revwarapps.org/s3680.pdf>. According to Heitman’s Register, “Harden Perkins” was an ensign in the 6th Virginia 21 Mar 1776, 2nd lieutenant 27 Oct 1776, 1st lieutenant 15 Apr 1777, resigned 26 Apr 1778 (died 1838). He was the brother of Co. Peter Perkins of Pittsylvania County, Virginia. See <http://oursouthernrelatives.com/hardin.html>, accessed 22 Feb 2021.

⁵ “Company made up”: In Maud Carter Clement’s *An Abbreviated History of Pittsylvania County*, she records that the Virginia Convention of 1775 provided for two regiments of 1000 men and a body of minutemen for state defense. Pittsylvania County was responsible for one company of minutemen, under Captain Thomas Hutchings and Lt. James Conway (James Conway R13351 <http://revwarapps.org/r13351.pdf>), which was attached to the 6th Virginia Regiment. The company first marched to Gwynn’s Island, where Lord Dunmore was camped. There are two deserter notices in Purdie’s *Virginia Gazette* from this period. The first was placed by Captain Thomas Hutchings on 7 May 1776 referring to “the *Pittsylvania* regular company now in this city [Williamsburg]” for “deserters [who] carried with them four of the country’s rifles and were [en]listed in Pittsylvania.” <https://research.colonialwilliamsburg.org/DigitalLibrary/va-gazettes/VGSinglePage.cfm?IssueIDNo=76.P.31&page=4>, accessed 23 Feb 2021. The second is by Ensign Harden Perkins 18 Oct 1776, in which the two soldiers deserted from the sloop *Susannah* at Leedstown, Virginia. <https://research.colonialwilliamsburg.org/DigitalLibrary/va-gazettes/VGSinglePage.cfm?IssueIDNo=76.P.73&page=3>, accessed 23 Feb 2021. The 6th Virginia Regiment was organized in February 1776 in Williamsburg.

Pension applications from members of the company include the officers noted above, and soldiers John Biswell S35191 <http://revwarapps.org/s35191.pdf>, Jonathan Faire S38691 <http://revwarapps.org/s38691.pdf>, Griffin Griffith VAS1708 <http://revwarapps.org/VAS1708.pdf>, Thomas Johnston W254 <http://revwarapps.org/w254.pdf> (who erroneously identifies the regiment as 14th), William Jones S35482 <http://revwarapps.org/s35482.pdf> (who unfortunately fails to shed any light on his name appearing in the 1776 deserter notice); James Morrison S2869 <http://revwarapps.org/s2869.pdf>, James Morrison S40183 <http://revwarapps.org/s40183.pdf> (probably the same as S2869, although he misidentifies the regiment as the 5th Virginia), Newsome Pace W5496 <http://revwarapps.org/w5496.pdf>, David Peck (Peek) R8063 <https://www.revwarapps.org/r8063.pdf>, John Richey S35628 <http://revwarapps.org/s35628.pdf>, Joshua Short S36301 <http://revwarapps.org/s36301.pdf>, Micajah Sims W6055, <http://revwarapps.org/w6055.pdf>, Thomas Spragen W1095 <http://revwarapps.org/w1095.pdf>, and James Waldrepe W2202 <http://revwarapps.org/w2202.pdf>. The service of all these men is corroborated by the company muster and pay rolls. See Revolutionary War Rolls, Virginia, 6th Regiment (1776-1778), Folder 167.

⁶ “Col. Washington”: probably Lt. Col. William Washington.