

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Lackey W21557      Jane Lackey      f83NC  
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State of South Carolina, Union District: SS

On this 22nd day of April 1846 personally appeared before me the subscriber one of the acting magistrates in and for said District Jane Lackey a resident of said District aged 80 years and being first duly Sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows. Also the benefit of the act of March 3rd, 1843 and June 17th, 1844.

That she is the widow of Thomas Lackey Deceased of Chester District, South Carolina, who was a private in the North Carolina line in the war of the revolution. That he the said Thomas Lackey lived in the County of Mecklenburg, North Carolina at the time of his enlistment. That by reason of her age and infirmities she does not remember the date of his Services, nor the names of his officers.

She further declares that she was married to the said Thomas Lackey, in the County of Mecklenburg North Carolina in the spring of 1792. That her husband the aforesaid Thomas Lackey died in October 1815, and that she has remained a widow ever since that period. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but that her marriage took place previous to 1st January 1794, viz. at the time above stated. She also declares that she has no family record.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Before me

S/ James H. Alexander, Magistrate

S/ Jane Lackey, X her mark

[p 6: On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1846 in Union District South Carolina, James Bailey gave testimony that he is the son in law of Thomas and Jane Lackey; that the affiant's wife Eleanor is the oldest child of said Thomas and Jane Lackey having been born June 6, 1793 and that he has a record of his wife's birth made some 30 years ago which he believes to be correct.]

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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 from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that Thomas Lackey a private soldier in Captain Bailey's Company of the

10th Regiment, entered the service on the 4th day of November 1782 for the term of 18 months. That Thomas Lackey drew for his services at one time, as one of the 18 months drafts in 1782, the sum of \$70, allowed by Board of Commissioners.

Given under my hand this 20th day of April 1846

S/ W. Hill, Secry. of State

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State of North Carolina, Union County

Personally came before me Joseph T. Draffin one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said County Richard Griffin<sup>1</sup> & after being duly Qualified in due form of law depose & saith that he knew one Thomas Lackey -- very well about the winding up of the Revolution War & served with him under Major Crawford, they being messmates together and Stephen Bellew, being their cook, and that some time after the War he married a woman by the name of Jane Ebbet, and when he married he was in the State and County (it being Mecklenburg but now Union) what time this marriage took place this deponent does not now recollect but believes that it was previous to the year 1794. Further that they lived together & was recognized by every person that as man and wife for several years (some ten or twelve) in the County (then Mecklenburg). They then moved off to some part of South Carolina, but what District this Deponent know if not. Further this deponent saith that about twenty-five or thirty years ago he heard from some source that the said Thomas Lackey was dated but does not know anything about his death personally Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day September A.D. 1846.

S/ J. T. Draffin, JP

S/ Richard Griffin, X his mark

[p 24: on September 28, 1846 in York District South Carolina, the Reverend Robert B Walker gave testimony that he was brought up in Mecklenburg County North Carolina now Union County; that he was personally acquainted with Thomas Lackey and Jane Abbot living in said County; that Thomas Lackey lived with the affiant's father for several years; that Thomas Lackey left his Father in the year 1791 and removed to York District; that the affiant heard that Thomas Lackey and Jane Abbot were married about the year 1792 and lived near the affiant's father for 10 or 12 years then moved to Chester District South Carolina; that the affiant has seen the widow Jane Lackey in Union District at different times at Bullard Creek Church where the affiant occasionally preached.

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[p 12: On February 27, 1847, in Union District, South Carolina, William G. Lackey, son of Jane and Thomas Lackey, filed an affidavit, in which he states: "That during the lifetime of his father he had often heard him speak of being out in the Army of the Revolution, of his being in some several Engagements, to wit, the Battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781], Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] and Hanging Rock [August 6, 1780]. That at the latter engagement he was wounded in the shoulder by buck shot in 3 different places one of which was extracted and the other 2 he carried with him to his grave. The scars of which deponent has often seen. This deponent further states that his father thus aforesaid Thomas Lackey always said that he was

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<sup>1</sup> [Richard Griffin S6919](#)

bound to one Houston to learn the tanners trade in the time of the war, that lived in Mecklenburg County North Carolina, that he ran away from said Houston and enlisted in the North Carolina Line, where he served for some time prior to the close of the War, and was in the Army at Charleston when the Army was disbanded, and that he always said that he was Entitled to bounty Lands for his services but never applied for them. That at the Battle of the Cowpens the regulars were situated rather behind a hill and when General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] routed the British in their flight came up to Howard [John Eager Howard] who had the command of the regulars and he Howard commanded the regulars to fire, which they did, and the British surrendered.

This deponent also makes oath that he has often heard his father speak of the battle of Eutaw Springs which he was in. That William Washington was taken prisoner that they had a hard fight but routed the Enemy and took possession of an old Store [could be Stone] House That the foregoing together with many other statements he has often heard his father make relative to his services in the Army of the Revolution."

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm. G. Lackey". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent flourish at the end of the word "Lackey".

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State of North Carolina, Union County

Personally came before me James Docter [?] one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for said County Richard Griffin and made oath in due form of law and states that he was well acquainted with Thomas Lackey in the days of the revolutionary war this deponent further states that he was called upon on a former occasion to give testimony and was told to state no services only what my self and Lackey done together this deponent further states the services himself and said Lackey done together was in the militia under Major Crafford [Crawford?] and they messed together and Steven Blue was their Cook this deponent further states that some time after the above that said Lackey enlisted under Captain Bailey in 10th Regiment in the North Carolina line and served until the close of the war this deponent further states that he did not serve with Lackey in the Continental line recollects well of his enlistment for he saw said Lackey after he had enlisted and Lackey told him he had enlisted for during the war and further states that said Lackey went off in the Army was gone some months until the close of the war and then returned it was a general report that Lackey had enlisted for during the war this deponent further states that he knows that said Lackey was bound to one James Houston in the County aforesaid to the tanners trade and that said Lackey ran away and enlisted this deponent further states that himself and Lackey has talked often of their trials in the war and further states that Lackey has told him that he was in the battle of the Cowpens and Eutaw Springs and was wounded about the shoulder at the battle of the hanging rock this deponent further states that said Lackey was married in the County aforesaid to woman by the name of Jane ebetts [sic. Ebbets? or Abbott ?] fifty-five or fifty-six years ago and states that Mr. Walker a man that he was living with when he got married in their settlement they disagreed and Walker sued Lackey in a short time after the marriage and was an officer and served a warrant on Lackey and knows from that circumstance that the above is true and further states that the said Lackey and wife lived together as man and wife in County of aforesaid ten or twelve years then moved to South Carolina and he heard of said Lackey's death twenty-five or 30 years ago and he further states would have made the above statements

when called on last fall but he was told to just state the services that he had done with said Lackey in the war sworn to and subscribed before me this April 12th 1847  
S/ James Doster [?], JP

S/ Richard Griffin, X his mark

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State of South Carolina Union District

Charles Gantt a citizen of the district aforesaid, came personally before me the subscribing magistrate and made oath in due form of law that he is the reputed son of Robert Gantt late of the district aforesaid deceased a Soldier of the Revolution. This deponent further states that he always understood from his deceased Father that he had been born and raised to the age of twelve or fourteen years in Mecklenburg County North Carolina about which time he the said Robert Gantt with his father and family moved and settled in Union District South Carolina and remained in said District until after the Revolutionary War as this deponent always understood, and after the War the Father of Robert Gantt deceased and grandfather of this deponent moved back to Mecklenburg North Carolina and there died. This deponent further states that his father Robert Gantt deceased aforesaid, lived a few years in Mecklenburg County North Carolina after was married, and then moved to and settled in Union District South Carolina where he died. This deponent further states that his father Robert Gantt and Thomas Lackey (who married Jane Ebbotts now Jane Lackey the claimant) in Mecklenburg County North Carolina, were brothers-in-law, and he the said deponent has often heard his Father, also Thomas Lackey, say that Thomas Lackey was a Soldier of the Revolution and belonged to the North Carolina line. This deponent further states that some years after his father moved from Mecklenburg County aforesaid, that Thomas Lackey moved and settled in the neighborhood of deponent's Father which was about forty years ago, and Afterwards moved to and settled in Chester District about fifteen miles from the residence of this deponent, and resided there until his death, which was some thirty years ago.

This deponent further states that he has frequently heard his father Robert Gantt say that both before and since the death of Thomas Lackey deceased aforesaid that he the aforesaid Thomas Lackey deceased was an enlisted soldier in the North Carolina line in the War of the Revolution, and that said Lackey served to the end of the War, and received his discharge somewhere in the lower part of South Carolina but cannot recollect the place.

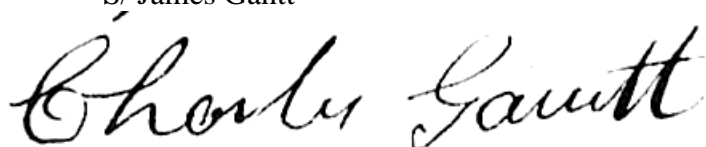
This deponent further states that he has often heard his father Robert Gantt say that said Thomas Lackey the deceased husband of Jane Lackey was a long time a Soldier of the Revolution.

This deponent further states that he has often heard the aforesaid Thomas Lackey deceased say [that he] fought in some battle and was wounded slightly, which wound this deponent has seen which was in the left and upper part of the breast. This deponent further states that he always understood that said Thomas Lackey was originally bound to some person who followed the tanning trade in Mecklenburg County North Carolina and said Thomas Lackey ran away from his master and joined the Army.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 7<sup>th</sup> of August 1847

S/ I. J. Foster, Magistrate

S/ James Gantt

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

[p 75: On August 7, 1847 in Union District South Carolina, James Gallagher, a citizen of Lowndes County Mississippi gave testimony that he was raised in Chester District South Carolina and resided there until 1821 when he moved West; that he is in Union District on business; that Thomas Lackey and his family moved into Chester District about 1809; that affiant understood they were moving from Mecklenburg County North Carolina; that about January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1815, the affiant married Mary Lackey, the second daughter of Thomas and Jane Lackey who was at that time about 20 years old.

*James Gallagher*

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[p 8: On December 4, 1848 in Union District South Carolina, James Bailey, 56, son-in-law of Jane Lackey and husband of Eleanor filed a claim under half of his wife and the other surviving jewelry of Jane Lackey stating that Jane Lackey was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$36.66 per annum; that Jane Lackey died June 14, 1848 leaving surviving Eleanor Bailey, Jane Bailey & W. G. Lackey as her only known surviving children.

*James Bailey*

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[p 10: On December 2, 1848 in Union District South Carolina, George T. Bailey gave testimony that his grandmother Jane Lackey died at the residence of the affiant's father, James Bailey in Union District South Carolina on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1848.

*George T. Bailey*

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[p 58: Joseph McCain, 70, on July 20, 1849, in Chattooga County, Ga., gave an affidavit that he was about 15 years old when Thomas Lackey and Jane Abbitt were married at his Father's house in Mecklenburg County, NC, etc.

*Joseph McCain*

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[p 2: family record:

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| <p>John Bailey was<br/>Born February 19<sup>th</sup> 1787 [or 9]<br/>James Bailey was<br/>Born October the 16 1792<br/>George Bailey was<br/>born October the 27 1795<br/>Synthia Bailey was<br/>born J June 18<sup>th</sup> 1798<br/>elleanor Bailey was<br/>Born J June the 6 1793</p> | <p><i>John Bailey was<br/>Born February 19<sup>th</sup> 1787<br/>James Bailey was<br/>Born october the 16-1792<br/>George Bailey was<br/>born october the 27-1795<br/>Synthia Bailey was<br/>born J June 18<sup>th</sup> 1798<br/>Eleanor Bailey was<br/>Born J June the 6-1793</i></p> |
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[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$46.66 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1836 and ending 14<sup>th</sup> June 1848.]

[pp 82-83: family record of James McClain Senr. . In a letter to the Commission of Pension dated April 26, 1847, James Bailey says he is closing this record to bolster his statement that James McClain told him that he, James McClain, was at the marriage of Thomas Lackey and Jane Abbot.]

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| <p>Births<br/>James McClain Senr. was<br/>Born December 28<sup>th</sup> 1769<br/>Sarah Cupid was Born<br/>Novr. 15<sup>th</sup> 1773<br/>Alexander McClain was Born<br/>Wednesday Feby. 20<sup>th</sup> 1793<br/>James McClain Junr. was born<br/>Sunday at the brake of day<br/>Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> the first day of ?</p> | <p>BIRTHS.</p> <p>James. W. Cain Senr. was<br/>Born December 28<sup>th</sup> 1769</p> <p>Sarah Cupid was Born<br/>Novr. 15<sup>th</sup> 1773 - - - - -</p> <p>Alexander. W. Cain was Born<br/>Wednesday Feby 20<sup>th</sup> 1793 - - -</p> |
| <p>Marriages<br/>James McClain and Sarah<br/>Cupid was Married Augst. 25<sup>th</sup><br/>1791</p>   | <p>MARRIAGES.</p> <p>James. W. Cain and Sarah<br/>Cupid was Married Augst. 25<sup>th</sup><br/>1791 - - - - -</p>   |