

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Philip Cox W22844

Jemima Cox

f49NC

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State of South Carolina Pickens District }

On this first day of October personally appeared in open court before the Court of Common Pleas of Pickens District now sitting Phillip Cox a resident of Pickens District and State aforesaid aged seventy-six, 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated. Colonel Armstrong [Martin Armstrong] & Major Winston [Joseph Winston] of North Carolina Surry County with Captain Gaines [sic, James Gains] – officers under whom he entered the service & served near two years. He continued in service of the greater part of the period of the Revolutionary War. He lived in Surry County State of North Carolina at the time he entered service. He entered a volunteer. He was in a scrimmage against the Tories in the County of Surry & State of North Carolina under the Captain aforesaid and Captain Joseph Cloud. He knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his Service –.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the Day & Year aforesaid in open court.

S/ William L Keith, Clerk

S/ Philip Cox, P his mark

[Jacob Lewis, a clergyman, and John Grisham gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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The State of South Carolina Pickens District } Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace &c for the District aforesaid Philip Cox who being duly sworn deposes and saith that by reason of old age & bodily affliction which he has suffered under in a great degree and is now laboring under he is unable from this by loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the period mentioned in the declaration (but in his opinion considerably upwards of two years) and in the following grades to Wit: he served as a private under Captain Gaines not less than three months. And in a short time afterwards was called out and served as a private under

Captain Rosacks [perhaps an attempt to name Capt. David Roark of Surry County militia]<sup>1</sup> not less than five months. And in a short time afterwards went out as a private and served under Captain Joseph Cloud not less than nine months and then served as a private under Captain William Cloud not less than three months. And also swears that he served as a private in a Troop of Cavalry under Captain Detherage [perhaps an attempt to name George Deathridge]<sup>2</sup> not less than two months amounting in all to not less than one year and 10 months. The Deponent further swears from the loss of memory that he cannot recollect the exact time of his service but he is positive in the time herein set forth. & Further swears that he don't recollect the exact time between the services rendered but was at home but a very little time during the Revolutionary war. And for such services he claims a pension. These services were actually rendered under some authority and embodied. And that he was not able to follow any civil pursuit nor did he do anything else for a long time. This deponent also now on oath further answers the Interrogatories<sup>3</sup> as follows

1<sup>st</sup> he was born on the Mayo River [sic, Mayo Creek] called Halifax County in Virginia in September 1755

2<sup>nd</sup> He has a record of his age in his family Bible taken from his Father's Family Record which he thinks his younger Brother took to the Western Country –

3<sup>rd</sup>. He lived in Surry County in North Carolina when he was called into the service. He moved soon after the revolution into South Carolina lived on the waters of Thicketty [Creek] three years then moved up into Rutherford County North Carolina where he lived about four years then he moved to the western Country lived 1 & 1/2 years he lived in the west Virginia on Horse [?] Creek. He then moved back to North Carolina Rutherford County where he lived four years then moved to Crow Creek in Pendleton District now this District. He then moved to the plantation he now lives on where he has resided on the same place for upwards of 30 years.

Those who know him will testify to his credibility and character the most noted are General Earle [Baylis Earle], Colonel Grisham, Colonel Norton, Colonel McKinney and William D Sloan Esquire now Sheriff of Pickens District whose Affidavit is forwarded. The certificate of all the above named gentlemen could be forwarded but it is somewhat inconvenient.

Sworn to and subscribed the 16th day of January 1834 before me.

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<sup>1</sup> *Rosack,*

<sup>2</sup> *Detherage*

<sup>3</sup> The War Department promulgated regulations governing pension application format and requiring the following 7 interrogatories to be put to each applicant for a pension:

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

S/ J C Miller, JP

S/ Philip Cox, X his mark

[p 11: On August 1, 1840 in Pickens District South Carolina, Jemima Cox, 83, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Philip Cox, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him in 1772; that he died March 24, 1832 [sic]; that she remains his widow.]

[p 15: On January 9, 1841 in Pickens District South Carolina, Thomas Collings gave testimony that he has had in his possession for some 20 or 25 years a half sheet of paper very much worn containing the ages of the children of Philip Cox and Jemima Cox; that the name Thomas Man whose age is on the back of the family record was the person who recorded the ages of the seven first named children as he understood and that the name John Beazley whose name also appears on the back of the record recorded the ages of the remaining children listed thereon; that 20 or 25 years ago the record was transcribed in the presence of Philip and Jemima Cox by John R Cox, son of Philip and Jemima; that he, the deponent, married on April 12, 1798 Catey (or Catherine) Cox the fourth daughter of the said Philip and Jemima; that his father-in-law Philip Cox died between the 20<sup>th</sup> and 25th day of March in the year 1834.]

[p 16: On January 9, 1841 in Pickens District South Carolina, Martin Moss, husband of Rebecca Cox, gave testimony that Philip Cox a revolutionary war pensioner died about the 24th of March 1834.]

[p 18: family record:

the higher of the ages of the children of Philip Cox and Jamiah his wife

Milley Cox was born the 21 of February 1773 [last digit could be 5]

Salley Cox was born the 12 of September 1776

Nancy Cox was born December the 26 day 1778

Catey Cox was born the 8 of January 1780

Lezebeath Cox was born the 17 day of January 1782

Marthew Cox was born the 12 day of July 1786

Jencey Cox was born the 15 of November 1787

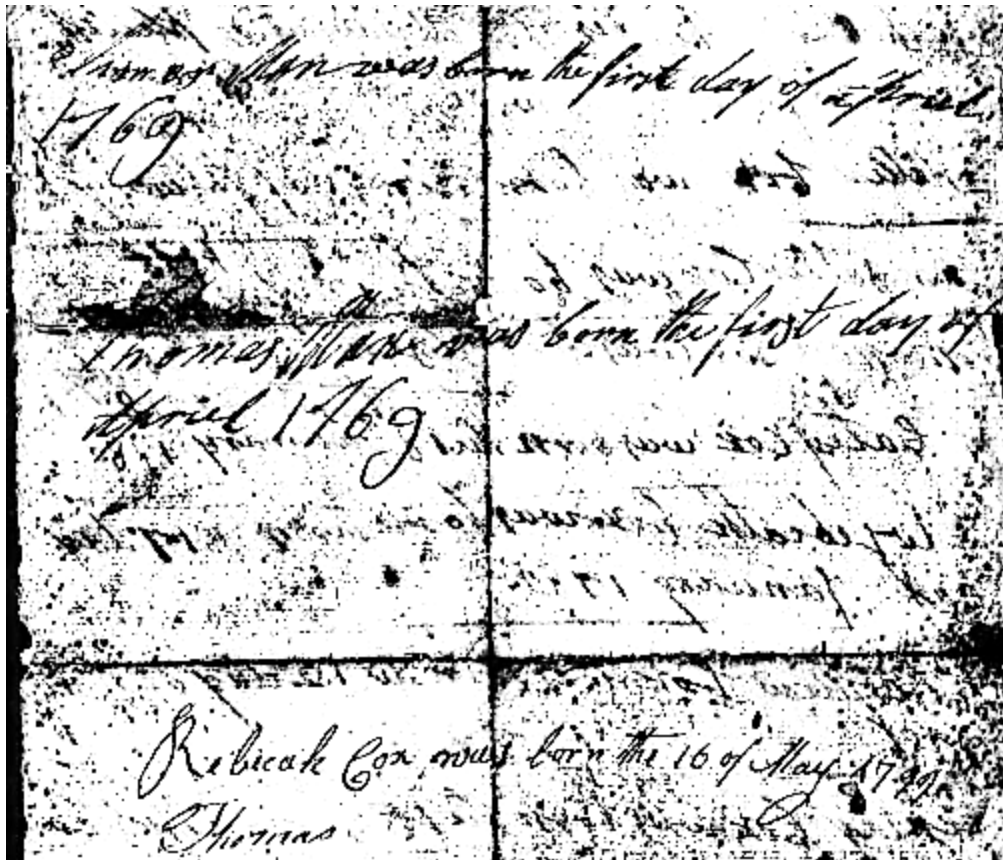
Darkes Cox the daughter of phillop Cox and Gemimer his wife was born the 5 day of February 1789

William Cox was born the 5 day of Desember the year of 1791

JaCob Cox was born the Jemearly the 19<sup>th</sup> [could be 29<sup>th</sup>] in the 1793

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 Cox and Jannet his wife 1787  
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 Sally Cox was born the 12 day of <sup>1788</sup> December  
 Nancy Cox was born December the 26 day  
 of January 1780  
 Batey Cox was born the 8 January 1780  
 Lovebeath Cox was born the 17 day  
 of January 1782  
 Matthew Cox was born the 12 day of July  
 1786  
 Finny Cox was born the 15 of November  
 1787  
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 Jannet his wife was born the 5 Day of <sup>1788</sup> february  
 William Cox was born the the 5 Day of December  
 in the year of 1791  
 Jacob Cox was born the January the 29<sup>th</sup>  
 in the of 1793

[reverse]  
 Thomas Man was born the first day of April 1769  
 Rebecah Cox was born the 15 of May 1799



[p 21: transcription of the family record:  
Philip Cox was born September 25 1757  
Jemima Cox his wife was born April 1757  
the Ages of their children

viz.

Millia Cox was born the Feb 14<sup>th</sup> 1773  
Sarah Cox was born the 12th 1776  
Nancy Cox was born Dec. 26 1778  
Catherine Cox was born Jan. 18 1780  
Elizabeth Cox was born Jan. 17 1782

I do hereby Certified that the above is a correct record (to the best of my Knowledge & belief) of the ages of Philip Cox (Deceased) a pensioner and Jemima his wife who is yet living and also the ages of their five oldest Children this given December 27<sup>th</sup>, 1840.

S/Jacob R Cox

Philip Cox was born Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1757  
Jemima Cox his wife was born April 1757  
The ages of their children

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William Cox was born Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 1773

Sarah Cox was born Dec 12 1776

Nancy Cox was born Dec 26 1778

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Elizabeth Cox was born Jan 17 1782

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December 27<sup>th</sup> 1840

Jacob P. Cox

[p 36: On September 4, 1840, in Pickens District South Carolina, Jesse Nevill<sup>4</sup> a revolutionary war veteran gave testimony supportive of the marriage of Philip Cox to Jemima Taylor the sister, he thinks of Drury, Isaac, Zach and several other Taylor brothers in Rutherford County North Carolina.



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$73.33 commencing March 4th, 1831, for 22 months service in the North Carolina militia.]

<sup>4</sup> [Jesse Nevill \(Neville\) S21899](#)