

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Powell W26331

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Declaration To obtain the benefit of the act of CongreSs of the 7th of June 1832  
State of North Carolina) Robeson County

On this the 28 day of Feby 1853 personally appeared before the subscriber an acting Justice of the peace in & for said County Mrs. Mary Powell resident of said County aged 75 years & widow of John Powell who having been duly sworn doth upon her oath make the following declaration In order to obtain the benefit of the act of CongreSs passed the 7th of June 1832. The she is the widow of John Powell who was a Revolutionary Soldier that She heard her husband the said John Powell say that he was drafted that She believes he served under the command of Capt. Whithead [*William Whitehead*] Cap Middleton Capt. Gillaspy [*James Gillespie*] + others that she believes he was in the service 18 months. That her husband the said John Powell employed a yong man in this County to prosecute his claim that after a considerable length of time this yong man told him that nothing could be done for him, that she + Mr. John Powell were married in the year 1816 that Mrs. Powell Maden [maiden] name was Mary Humphry that her husband the said John Powell died 19th of January 1851 aged about 90 years. That she heard him say that others were getting Pensions + that he ought to get one pension too. But that the infirmities of old age had overtaken him + that he was not able to prosecute his claim she therefore makes this application for the whole amount of pension due her husband the said John Powell up to the day of his death for the service rendered by him in said war.

Her

Mary X Powell  
mark

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*State of North Carolina  
Comptroller's Office*

*I, William J Clarke, Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears of record in my office, among the payments made by said State to sundry persons for Military services in the Revolutionary War, as follows, to wit:*

*John Powell*

*Book W. No. 1, for £7 S8 specie private in Captain John Whitehead's Company, Wilmington District.*

*Book No. 14 page 76 £8S14D8 specie*

“ 87 £1S8  
“ 114 £7S12  
23 4 £25S8  
26 39 £3S15  
84 £2S10

*In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of Office this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1853*

*S/ Wm J. Clarke, Comptr.*

*I further certify that Captains Gillespie and Middleton had their accounts allowed by the Auditor's overwhelming 10 District* *S/ Wm J. Clarke, Comptr.*

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*Declaration*

*In order to obtain the benefits of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Section of the Act of the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February 1853 State of North Carolina Robeson County} On this the 9 Day of September 1853 Personally appeared before the Subscriber an acting Justice of the peace in & for said County Mrs. Mary Powell resident of said County & State aforesaid aged about 70 years who being duly Sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration. In order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress passed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February 1853 granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary war. That she is the widow of John Powell who was a soldier of the Revolutionary war. That she often heard her husband say that he was drafted that she believes he served under the command of Captain Whitheed Capt. Midelton [probably James Middleton], Capt. Gillaspy & others. That she believes he was in service 18 months or more &c. She further declares that she was married to the said John Powell in the year 1816. That her said husband died on the 19 of January 1851 aged 92 that she was not married to him prior to this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1800 but at the time of above stated. She further declares that she is now a widow Further she would refer you to a declaration heretofore made by her & sent to the department & also to depositions already sent Sworn to & Subscribed before me the Date above written S/ Jos. Smith, JP S/ Mary Powell, X her mark*

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State of North Carolina)

Robeson County ( On this the 27th day of February 1854 Personally appeared before me the undersigned one of the acting Justices of the peace in + for said County Mr. William W. Powell a resident of said County who being duly sworn deposeth + saith that he was well acquainted with Mr. John Powell who he believes was a Revolutionary Soldier + that he often heard him say that he lived in Duplin County in time of said Revolutionary war + that + that he came from Duplin to Robeson County + that he lived in Robeson County until he decd about three (3) years ago he futher says that he is well acquainted with Mrs. Mary Powell widow of said John Powell + that she is living.

William W. Powell

*William W. Powell*

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*Declaration*

*In order to obtain the benefit of the 8 section of the act of CongreSs of 3rd March 1855 State of North Carolina)*

Robeson County ( On this the 14 day of April 1855 personally appeared before me an acting Justice of the peace in and for said County + state Mrs. Mary Powell aged about 75 years a resident of said County in the state aforesaid who being duly Sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of John Powell deceased who was a private in the Revolutionary war that her said husband's services are already proven + on file in the pension office amongst the papers made out by this declaimant to obtain a pension under the act of the 3 of February 1853, which has been allowed her as the widow of John Powell. She futher states that she was married to the said John Powell in the year 1816 the date of which marriage is already proven by her in the application for the pension aforesaid as will as the time of the death of the said John Powell + that she is still a widow. She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty Land to which She may be entitled to under the act approved March 3rd 1855.

Her  
Mary X Powell  
Mark

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State of North Carolina )

Robeson County On this 4th day of August A D one thousand eight hundred and Sixty nine personally appeared before me John C. Moore Clerk of the Superior court in said State and county, the same being a court of record Mary Powell aged about Eighty years a resident of Robeson County in the State of North Carolina who, being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the identical Mary Powell who was a pensioner on the roll of the agency at Fayetteville, North Carolina and whose pension certificate is herewith returned; that she has resided since the first day of January A D 1861 as follows at her son W. W. Powell's in the county of Robeson and State of North Carolina that during this period her means of subsistence were provided for her by her son W W Powell that she has not in any manner aided or abetted the rebellion earnestly desire it suppression by force of arms and that she was last paid her pension. On the fourth day of March A.D. one thousand eight hundred and Sixty one. This application is made for the purpose of securing a restoration of her name to the pension rolls and of obtaining a new pension certificate such as she may be entitled to under existing laws reference being made to the evidence heretofore filed in the pension office to substantiate her original Claim.

Her  
Mary X Powell  
Mark

Lumberton  
North Carolina

[p 18: The document on this page reflects the granting of a posthumous pension to John Powell deceased in the amount of \$61.66 per annum for 18 ½ months service in the North Carolina militia, the pension to commence on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1831 and ending on January 19, 1851, the date of the veteran's death. The veteran's widow was pensioned in a like amount.]