

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Westwood Waters W26506 Abigail Taylor<sup>1</sup> f25SC

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indcipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Illinois Jefferson County:

On this 24th day of April 1851. Before the Subscriber William Dodds Judge of the County Court in and for the said County in Open court personally appeared Abigail Taylor a resident of said County aged eighty-five years old who being first 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 7th of July 1838, granting pensions and half pay to certain Widows. That she is the widow of Westwood Waters commonly called West Waters who was a private in the Army of the revolution and served in the whole as much as two years or more in the State of South Carolina is not able to describe his services exactly but thinks he served in the Army from 1779 to 1781 and thinks that a part of the time he was under his uncle Captain Philip Waters [sic, Philemon Waters] and Colonel Thomas [John Thomas Junior] and General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] and also of serving under Colonel Waters [Philemon Waters] and part of the time he served as a Dragoon if she is not mistaken, and thinks it was while he served in his uncle Philip Water's Company and Colonel Thomas Regiment.

She further declares that she was married to the said West or Westwood Waters in Spartanburg District South Carolina by a Mr. Hood M. G. in the fall of 1784 and that her name before marriage was Abigail Renfrow.

And that her said husband West or Westwood Waters died in the year 1799 in Georgia. She further states that she was not married to the said Westwood Waters previous to his leaving the service, but that the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, viz. at the time above stated, and in the year 1801 She was again married to a Mr. William Taylor in the County of Franklin in the State of Georgia and that her last husband William Taylor died in the County of Marion in the State of Illinois on or about the 16th day of April 1835 and from that time she has remained a widow that she has a family record on the belief of an old Bible that is here unto attached that it was written by her last husband William Taylor some thirty or forty years ago and that it is a true copy of their ages. Sworn to and subscribed before me this day and date above mentioned that she has lost his discharges, and that she was ignorant of the above law until recently.

S/ W. Dodds, Judge

S/ Abigail Taylor, X her mark

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<sup>1</sup> former widow

[pp 17-19: certificate dated June one, 1851 from the South Carolina Comptroller Generals Office certifying the payments made to Westwood Waters for militia service during the revolution including payments for 62 days duty as a footman from the 20th of March to the 22nd of May 1780 in Captain Waters company & 59 days as a horseman from the 6th of April to the 4th of June 1781 and Captain Waters company Colonel Waters Regiment; for services rendered in Waters & Roebuck's Regiment since the fall of Charleston for Colonel Anderson's return; and a pay bill of Captain Philemon waters troop of Light Dragoons commanded by Colonel John Thomas and Sumter's Brigade from June 4th 1781 for 10 months service.]

[pp. 3-4: family record]

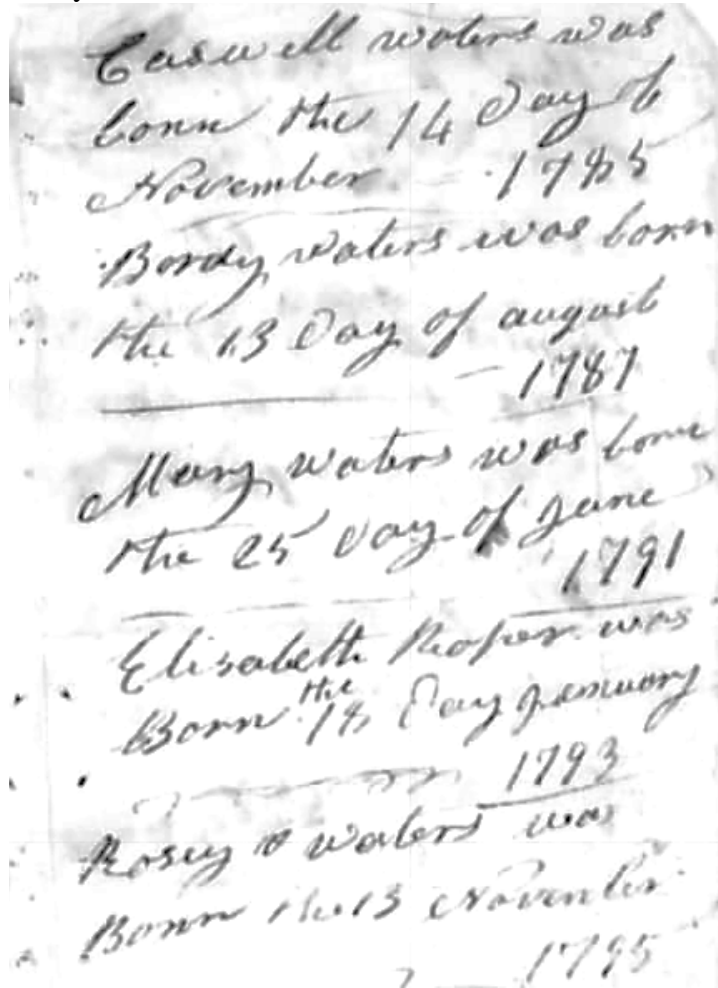
Caswell Waters was born the 14 day of November 1785

Bordy Waters was born the 13 day of August 1787

Mary Waters was born the 25 day of June 1791

Elisabeth Roper was Born the 18 day January 1793

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Born the 13 November  
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John W. Taylor was born the 24 day of October 1802

James W. Taylor was born the 13 day of May 1805

William P. Taylor was born the 21 day of April 1806

John W. Bayliss was  
Born the 24. Day  
October. 1802

James W. Bayliss  
was Born the 13 Day  
of May, 1805

Wm. P. Bayliss was  
Born the 21 Day  
of April 1806

[Widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1818 for the services of her former husband as a private in the South Carolina line during the revolution.]

[p 2 this file erroneously contains the Bounty Land Warrant Card for William Waters, a private in the Massachusetts line, Warrant Number 5290 for 100 acres issued July 10, 1797 to James Adlington, Devisee.]

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South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>2</sup> relating to Westwood Waters  
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 8247  
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South Carolina State

Ninety Six District} Know Ye To whom it May Concern

That I Westwood Waters of General Sumter's Brigade Colonel John Thomas's Regiment & Colonel Philemon Waters Troop have Bargained & Sold My Draft on the Public for one grown Negro or What May Be allowed By the Public in lieu Thereof together with the arrears of Clothing &c to John Head of Inoree [sic, Enoree River] For the Consideration of Thirty Five Pounds Sterling to Me in hand paid The Receipt Whereof I do hereby acknowledge & Myself Satisfied & you Ye said Captain Waters is hereby Desired to fulfill my engagement & you are hereby empowered to Sign any Receipt in My Name touching the Recovery of ye Negro or What

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<sup>2</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

Else Shall Be allowed By the Public  
Given under my hand this 19<sup>th</sup> May 1784

S/ Westwood Waters, W his mark

Personally appeared Before me and Took the Oath Prescribed by Law in Settling with the State  
Troops Westwood Waters & further on his Oath Declares he had never sold his Draw to any  
other Person But John Head Sworn before me this 19<sup>th</sup> May 1784

S/ Philemon Waters

S/ Westwood Waters, W his mark

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[No.] 2681

No. 110

[Book] X

5 May 86 [1786]

Westwood Waters for Militia duty in Waters [Philemon Waters'] & Roebuck's [Benjamin  
Roebuck's] Regiments since the fall of Charlestown [Charleston South Carolina fell to the  
British on May 12, 1780] per Anderson's [Colonel Robert Anderson's] Return [not extant]  
Amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency £191.0

Stg. [Sterling] £27.5.8 ½

Ex<sup>d</sup>. J. M<sup>c</sup>. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

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Received 5 May 1786 from the Commissioners of the Treasury full satisfaction for the Above in  
an Indent No. 2681 Book X

S/ P. Waters

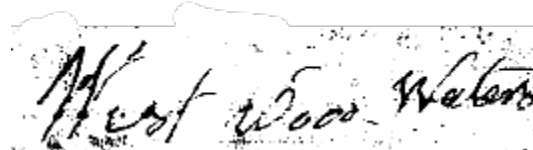


[p 8: Printed form of Indent No. 2681 Book X.]

[p 10: Reverse of the above Indent bearing, among others, the following endorsement:

Received of 1<sup>st</sup> Day of January 1787 Philemon Waters Esquire for Satisfaction for this my Indent  
& by these presents do hereby endorse it over to said Waters for his Use. Witness my hand Day  
& date above Mentioned

S/ West Wood Waters



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Ninety Six District

in South State} to the Keeper of the public Treasury of said State

Sir Please give the Indent lodged in your office for me the amount of £112.0.0 to Mr. Philemon Waters and this my order or his receipt shall be good against me for the same from Sir August 8<sup>th</sup> 1785

your most Obedient Servant  
signed Westwood Waters, X his mark

I do hereby Certify that I saw Westwood Waters sign the above order the day and year above written

S/ John Ford, JP

The State of South Carolina

To Westwood Waters	Dr.
To 62 Days Duty as foot from the 20 <sup>th</sup> of March to the 22 <sup>nd</sup> of May 1780 both days included per Captain Philemon Waters pay Bill	£31
To 59 Days Duty as horseman from the 6 <sup>th</sup> of April to the 4 <sup>th</sup> of June 1781 both Days included per pay Bill of ditto	<u>£59</u>
	<u>£90</u>
Stg.	£12.17.12