

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Marcum W3841

Ann Marcum

f36NC

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State of North Carolina Orange County: SS

On this the 28th day of May 1840 personally appeared before the undersigned one of the Justices of the Courts of pleas and quarter Sessions for the County aforesaid at her on residence Ann Marcum, aged 78 years, who being first duly sworn stateth that from bodily infirmity and old age is unable to attend Court to make this 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:" that she is the widow of Richard Marcum, Deceased

1. This Declarant stateth further upon her said oath that she has reason to believe and does believe that in the fall of 1778 there was a draft for Militia Men to serve a five months tour of duty in the United States Service, that her Deceased husband the aforesaid Richard Marcum was drafted into the United States service, and as a private of militia did serve all of said tour and at the expiration thereof was duly discharged and returned home.

This tour is proved by the affiant John Green, whose affidavit is hereto annexed and marked A.

2. And the said Ann Marcum, Declarant as aforesaid further setteth forth upon her said oath that in the winter and spring of 1781, her Deceased husband Richard Marcum aforesaid did serve a three months tour of duty in the Militia in Capt. Hodges [George Hodge's] Company. This tour is proved by the affiant Aaron Roberts whose affidavit is hereunto annexed and marked B. Also by the affiant Fielding Lewis whose affidavit is marked C. Also by the affiant Greene, whose affidavit is hereto annexed and marked A. This Declarant also produces her husband's discharge from Col. Farmer for said tour, dated March 12, 1781 which is hereto annexed.

3. And the said Ann Marcum, Declarant as aforesaid further stateth upon her said oath that on or about the first of September 1781, her Deceased husband, a private soldier in the militia in the United States Service was employed in guarding the town of Hillsboro -- that in this tour her husband was a private in Capt. Jamison's [William Jamieson's] Company. That after having served in guarding said Town about two weeks, it was surprised by Col. Fanning [David Fanning] [Hillsborough September 12, 1781]<sup>1</sup> and all the militia and regulars there in service were made prisoners that this Declarant's husband was made prisoner and was taken first to the Town of Wilmington, thence to the City of Charleston in South Carolina and was detained a prisoner thirteen months before he was exchanged. That he was made prisoner as above stated

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_hillsborough.html](http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_hillsborough.html)

this Declarant proves by the affiants John Green: A., Aaron Roberts B. Also by Sullivan Leigh marked E.

This Declarant also presents as further evidence of her Deceased husband's being in the service in guarding the Town as above stated in September 1781 and of his being made prisoner, an affidavit "F.", which Document together with the discharge this Declarant found among her Deceased husband's papers, and which she believes are genuine & true.

This Declarant further sets forth upon her said oath that, she was married to the aforesaid Richard Marcum to the best of her recollection and belief on the 27th day of August 1783 and in this she is confirmed by her family record, from which it appears that her oldest child Elizabeth was born the 20th day of August 1784. This Declarant remembers that she had been married a year wanting a week, when Elizabeth her oldest child was born.

The following is a copy from her family record to wit:  
Elizabeth Marcum was born the 20th of August 1784

Mary Marcum was born 17 March 1786

Willis Marcum was born the 16 May 1788

Nancy Marcum was born 26 April 1790

Wiley Markham was born 8 day -- 1792

William Marcum was born in March 1794

John Marcum was born April 1796

Spencer Marcum was born 18 October 1798

Moses Marcum was born 26 August 1800

That the above is a true copy from her family record which has been in her possession since the death of her Deceased husband the aforesaid Richard Marcum, and that she believes the said original record be as it purports & a genuine and faithful record of the births of her and the aforesaid Richard Marcum's children.

That her husband the aforesaid Richard Marcum died on August, 1829 --; and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

Sworn and subscribed on this the 28th day of May A.D. 1840 before me  
S/ Isaiah Marcum, JP



S/ Ann Marcum, X her mark

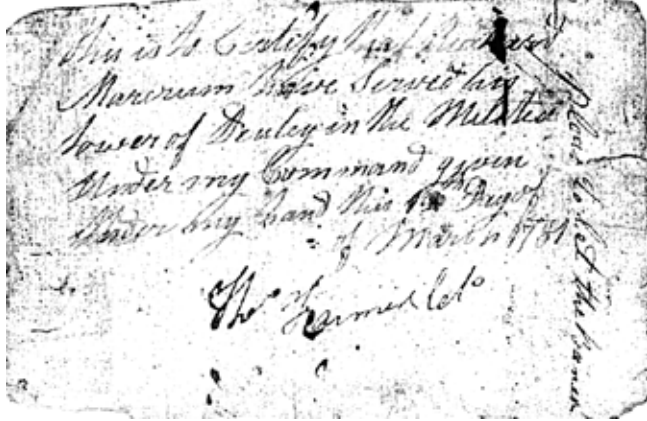
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This is to certify that Richard Marcum [sic] have Served his Tower of Deuty in the Militia under my Command given under my hand this 15th Day of March 1781

S/ Thos. Farmer, Colo.

[marginal note]

Please to let the Barer [bearer]



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This day Richd Marcom [sic] came before me & maid oath that a sirtin Rifell [certain rifle] of his own porperty was taken with himself at Hilsboro [Hillsboro] by the Ennemies [enemies] of this state at the time the tories took the govener [Governor] & a number of others--- and that he last the Rifell [rifle] and he has never rec'd any Satisfactision [satisfaction] for the same given under my hand

this 5<sup>th</sup> of May 1792

S/ Robt Campbell, JP

This day & date above mentioned Thomas Hall and John green both being free holders of the State & County afors'd do say on there [their] oaths that the afores'd rifell [rifle] the property lost of the sd Richd Marcom was worth six pounds ten shillings specie given under our hands

S/ Thos Hall

S/ John Green

Test: S/ Robt Campbell

"F"

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"C"

State North Carolina Orange County

On this 14th day of May 1840 Personally appeared before me Harris Wilkinson one of the acting Justices of the peace for said County -- Fielding Lewis a resident of said County aged about 74 years old who being first duly qualified according to law and saith that he was acquainted in the war with Richard Marcum of the aforesaid County Deceased this deponent saith that he saw Richard Marcum at Granville Court house in service a militia Soldier under the command of Capt. Hodge and thinks it was a three months Tour and further thinks that they the Soldiers, were on their march to Guilford Court House -- and further this deponent saith not. Sworn to & subscribed to the day and date above stated.

Test: S/ H. Wilkinson, JP

S/ Fielding Lewis, X his mark

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State of North Carolina Orange County

On this the 20th day of May in the year of 1840 personally appeared before me Isaiah

Marcom one of the acting Justices of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid Sullivan Leigh a resident of said County aged about sixty-three years who being first duly sworn according to law maketh oath that he was acquainted with Richard Marcom between 40 and 50 years before his death, and have often heard him speak of being in the service of the Revolution war, and he also heard him speak of being taken in Hillsboro by the enemies of the Country and carried to Charleston and kept in prison thirteen months, and he is also acquainted with Ann Marcom widow of the said Richard Marcom Deceased and lives a near neighbor to her and that she still remains the widow of the said Richard Marcom and has not married since the death of said Richard Marcom, and he also believes Richard Marcom was a man of truth and veracity, a man that his word could be relied on, and that said Richard Marcom died about 10 or 11 years ago, and further this deponent saith not.

S/ Sullivan Leigh

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State of North Carolina Wake County:

On this the 5th day of May 1840 personally appeared before me Jeremiah Morris an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County of aforesaid, Aaron Roberts<sup>2</sup> a resident of said County aged about 84 years, who being first duly qualified according to law maketh oath that he was well acquainted with Richard Marcom Deceased of the County of Orange and State aforesaid and that he served three Tours in the Revolution War, the first Tour was in South Carolina he thinks it was a three months Tour, and he thinks it was under Capt. Hodge, and he was at Granville Court house in a three months Tour, officer or not recollected, he does not recollect where the other Tour was, he was taken prisoner by the Tories in Hillsboro and carried to Wilmington and from there to Charleston and kept prisoner there 13 months,

This deponent further states upon his said oath that said of Marcom was lawfully married to Ann Roberts in the month of August about the close of the revolution war, that this deponent was present and saw them married about that time by Archibald Grissom, Esquire that said Richard Marcom died about 11 years ago that he left surviving him the aforesaid Ann who has not married since his death but still remains the widow of the aforesaid Soldier Richard Marcom, and further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and date first above written before me

S/ Jerh. Morris, JP

S/ Aaron Roberts, X his mark

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"A"

State of North Carolina Wake County: On this the 8th day of March 1840 personally appeared before me Jeremiah Morris an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County of Wake aforesaid, John Green<sup>3</sup> a resident of said County aged about 88 years who being first duly sworn according to law maketh oath that he was acquainted with Richard Marcom and that he served three tours, the first tour was at Savannah he thinks it was a six months tour, he does not distinctly recollect the officers names he served under in this tour, he was with him at Harrisburg under Capt. Hodge, who was also with him under Capt. Jamison who was taken prisoner by the

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<sup>2</sup> [Barnabus \(Barney\) Lashley S8819](#)

<sup>3</sup> [John Green S6917](#)

Tories at Hillsboro and was gone 13 or 14 months before he returned home, this Deponent procured the marriage license, the precise date he does not remember but would say it was about the close of the Revolution war. Said Richard Marcom died some years ago leaving Ann Marcom his widow who has not been married to no other man, Since his death, but remains the widow of the said Richard Marcom deceased, and further this Deponent saith not. Sworn and subscribed the day and date first above written before me  
S/ Jeremiah Morris, JP

S/ John Green, X his mark

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State of North Carolina Orange County

On this 31st day of August 1840, came personally before the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County of orange, Barnabas Lashley,<sup>4</sup> and made oath in due form of law that, during the war of the Revolution he was in the United States Service, as a private Soldier, and that in the month of September 1781, he was employed as a private of infantry in Guarding the Town of Hillsboro, in said County and while engaged in such Service, was made prisoner by Col. Fanning, as were all the other troops in said Town. This deponent remembers of Richard Marcum of said County, who at that time was a private Soldier in the United States Service, in Guarding said Town; and that the said Richard Marcum was made prisoner with us by Col. Fanning and taken on to Charleston; but how long the said Richard Marcum was kept prisoner by the enemy this deponent does not remember and further saith not.  
Sworn and subscribed the day and date first written before me.

S/ Thos. Jones, JP

S/Barnabas Lashley, X his mark

Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$70 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1836, for her husband service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

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<sup>4</sup> [Barnabus \(Barney\) Lashley S8819](#)