

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Tuttle W4836
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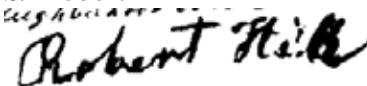
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State of North Carolina, Stokes County

On this 12th [could be 22nd] day of February 1833 before me Charles Banner a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Major Robert Hill that his on place of residence in the County aforesaid, And made Oath in due form of law that he was well acquainted with John Tuttle in time of the Revolutionary War (who is now about to make application for a Pension), he said Robert Hill saith that the said John Tuttle while he was a young man with his father removed into the neighborhood in Surry County North Carolina where this deponent was then a Captain commanding militia company in Col. Martin Armstrong's Regiment, & said Tuttle being enrolled in said Company, and on a particular occasion there was a call for mounted men to rout Tories in Rockingham & Guilford counties, in the said Tuttle turned out a volunteer with his on the horse & marched from Major Joseph Winston's under said Winston as Major this was in January, February & March 1781, we had one skirmish in the Tour at Wetzel's Mills & two others with parties of British & Tories & by some means said Tuttle was wounded & disabled in one of his legs or foot & was left in the care of his friend or acquaintance in Rockingham to have his wound cured previous to which we had joined Colonel Pickens' Regiment of cavalry. In this service I believe said total served two months at the least & was discharged by this Deponent as Captain. Sworn & subscribed this affidavit the date first above mentioned before me. He further states that said Tuttle has resided in the same neighborhood ever since.

S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Robert Hill



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State of North Carolina, County of Stokes

Be it known that on this 6th day of June 1836 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the said County Joseph Banner Senior an aged respectable Citizen of said County and made oath in due form of law that he is now and was well acquainted with John Tuttle who has, or is about, to make application to the War department for a Pension that he served a Tour of duty in the Militia with him or at least in the same Regiment under the command of Colonel Paisley in General Davidson's Brigade the term of some little over three months, he thinks in 1778 or 1779, he does not remember but some time in last March he sent his discharge to the War department with a declaration of said Tuttle's which will more plainly show the date of the service &c.

Sworn to & subscribed the date above written before me.

S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Joseph Banner, Senr.



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On the same day first above written Ephraim Banner personally appeared before me Charles banner one of the Justices of the peace for Stokes County aforesaid and made oath in due form of law, that he knew the above mentioned John Tuttle & served in the same Regiment under Colonel Paisley towards the Catawba River at the least three months as stated above in Joseph Banner's declaration. But cannot recollect the precise year though it was in the fall of the year and he further remembers of seeing the said Tuttle start in a horse company under the command of Major Joseph Winston & Captain Robert Hill when this Deponent was unwell with a fever & could not go with them, which was some time before the Guilford Battle, that said Tuttle was gone some months & returned home a very short time before said Battle.

Sworn & subscribed as above stated before me.

S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Ephraim Banner, X his mark

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State of North Carolina, County of Stokes: SS

On this 13th day of June 1836 personally appeared in Open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for the County of Stokes aforesaid John Tuttle aged Seventy five years and a resident of the said County who being sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

First, that he entered the service of the United States as a private volunteer Militia Soldier, where he was enrolled in Captain Peter O'Neal's company in Rockingham County North Carolina about Easter in the year 1778, when there was a special call for soldiers to be in re[adiness] at a moments notice, to march in order [to] route Tories, he being one of the men taken from Captain O'Neal's company to make up a company commanded by Captain Philips [Abraham Phillips] of Rockingham County aforesaid from thence said Captain Phillips marched his company different directions & ways through Guilford County & Rowan to the Yadkin River, thence down the country into Randolph County to Deep River, the names of all the different places & stations he was marched he cannot now recollect as it was then & is yet a strange part of the country to him, he being then a youth & does not recollect the name of all of the officers who he then knew. But that he remained in this service under the command of said Captain Phillips at least two months & was discharged verbally by his Captain & returned home to Rockingham.

The next Service he was drafted out of Captain Peter O'Neal's company in Rockingham County above mentioned for a Tour of three months, he believes in the month of August 1778 or 1779, he cannot properly ascertain which, and was a private in a company commanded by Captain William Wilson & marched to Guilford Court House North Carolina, and there they joined Colonel Paisley's [John Paisley] Regiment, then marched to Stone's Ferry on the Yadkin River in Rowan County from thence to Salisbury & were joined by General Davidson's [William Lee Davidson's] Brigade and remained some time at Salisbury., then marched to or near the borders of South Carolina & took up what was called headquarters at a place called the 12 Mile Creek where we took 18 Tories, & Colonel Paisley & other officers had been tried by court-martial, when this applicant was one of the guard, nine of the prisoners were acquitted & the other nine were sentenced to receive the lash, & the did receive them on their bare backs & to serve twelve months in the regular service. Shortly after this happened, information came to our officers that the British Army was advancing towards & near headquarters: we were ordered to march immediately and did retreat in a hurry and marched in a dark wet night, the

enemy being in pursuit until we passed through Salisbury & crossed the Yadkin River, where we met with an Army of the Virginia troops, as by was told, we were then ordered to & did recrossed the River & marched back after the British, until we came to our old stand at 12 Mile Creek near the Catawba River, the British having crossed 25 miles below in South Carolina, then a detachment of our troops, was sent from headquarters & this applicant was one of the company to watch & guard at a point on the River to prevent the British from crossing over again, at which time & place this applicants time of service ended with many others, for three months and was marched back to headquarters at 12 Mile Creek & there received a written discharge from Colonel Paisley for three months & 10 days & then returned home to his father's in Surry County North Carolina, near Major Winston's residence.

The next Service there being special call for horse or mounted men, he said applicant turned out a volunteer & furnished his on horse & firearms and found equipment for him, some time in January 1781 in a Company commanded by Captain Robert Hill of Surry County North Carolina under Major Joseph Winston, and marched from said Major Winston's in said Captain Hill's Company down through Rockingham & into Caswell County North Carolina & on our way routed & defeated a parcel of Tories and then joined Colonel or General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] light horse troops, when I was told we were about 500 strong, and at the same time I was told that Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] the British commander with about 800 dragoons lay a few miles below us towards Hillsboro, and one day a party or all of them advanced on us when we retreated a few miles & formed for battle I being previously wounded on my instep by a rough shod horse, I was commanded with others to guard some horses in the rear, when the attack commenced they immediately broke on the right wing which soon became a general disorderly retreat with the loss of two men killed; I with part of the men got into Rockingham & was left to get the inflammation cured in my foot, meanwhile the Company to which I belonged had marched & had another skirmish with the British & Tories at Whitesills [sic, Wetzel's] Mills [March 6, 1781]¹ & then returned home. In this Service I served at least two months a part of which was under Captain O'Neal after he recovered from his wound aforesaid & Captain Hill discharged him verbally after he recovered from the wound in his foot as above mentioned all of which Services amounts to five months & 10 days a foot private, two months on horse – say

5 months & 10 days foot
2 as Cavalry
7 1/3 in all

for which he claims a Pension.

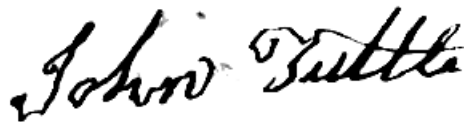
This applicant states that it is out of his power to produce any evidence to prove the first two months he served as all of his acquaintances in the County of Rockingham where he resided then in the time of his youth are now dead or removed away. The other five months service he thinks he can prove by Joseph Banner² & Ephraim Banner³ & the two months in the Cavalry by Major Robert Hill⁴ who gave his deposition some time before my declaration & has been latterly found &c

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or Annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day & year first above mentioned and Open Court.

S/ John Hill

S/ John Tuttle



The Court then proceeded to propound the Interrogatories described be done, we by the War

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/NC_Revolutionary_War_Known_Battles_Skirmishes.htm

² [Joseph Banner W9716](#)

³ [Ephraim Banner W3923](#)

⁴ [Robert Hill S7012](#)

department

Question first, he answers that he was born in Fairfax County & Commonwealth of Virginia the 22nd of March 1761.

Q 2nd, he has no record except from his parents account which he believes is correct

Q 3rd & 4th he was living in Rockingham County North Carolina when called into the two first, Surry County North Carolina in the last service & first & last as a volunteer, the second was drafted, and have lived in Surry & Stokes counties ever since in the same neighborhood owing to the division of Surry he fell into the part called Stokes.

Q 5th He knew a great many more officers than he can name at present owing to the length of time that has elapsed together with the infirmities of old age, though he recollects, General Davidson, Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter], Green [sic, Nathanael Greene], that he saw in the Army besides those already mentioned in his declaration.

Q 6th he does not recollect of receiving but one written discharge that was from Colonel Paisley for three months & 10 days which is lost or mislaid, the others he thinks was verbally [discharged] by his proper officers.

7th he believes that General Joseph Winston & William Cox Esq. will testify as to his character for veracity and belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court, there being no clergyman convenient.

S/ John Tuttle

[Joseph W. Winston & William Cox gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Sworn & subscribed as above stated before me.

S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Ephraim Banner, X his mark

[p 18: On December 11, 1843, Barbary Tuttle, 78, made application in Stokes County North Carolina for a widow's pensions under the act of March 4, 1836 stating that she is the widow of John Tuttle, a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$25 per annum; that she married him on June 16, 1783; that her husband died on September 30, 1840. She signed her application with her mark.]

[pp 21-22: Bible record

John Tuttle (seignor)[sic] was born in the year 1761 March to the 22nd

Barbary Tuttle was born 1765, June 16

1st Thomas Tuttle their son was born in the year 1784, April the 15

2nd Michael Tuttle was born in the year 1786, January the 15

3rd Elizabeth Tuttle was born the year 1788, April the 19

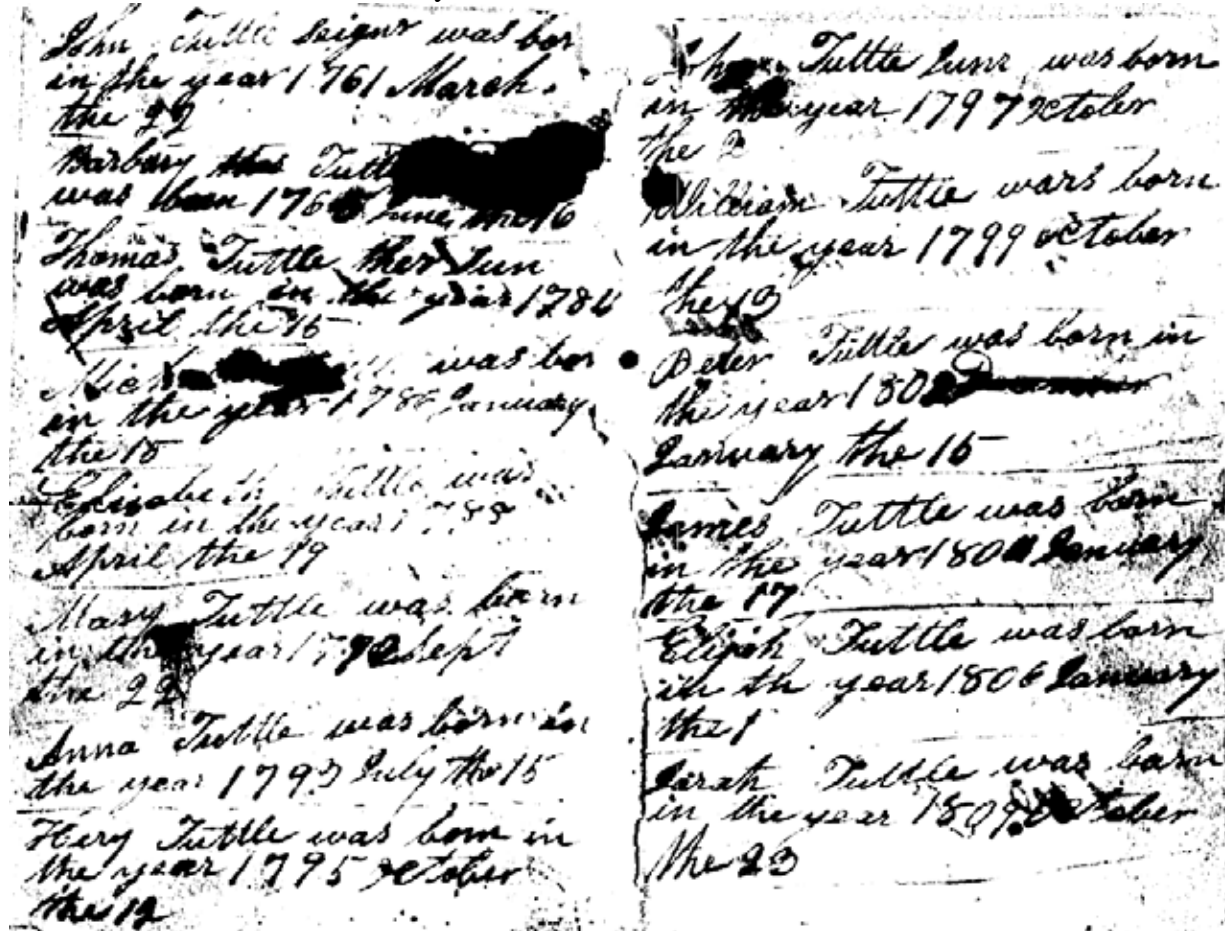
4th Mary Tuttle was born in the year 1790, September the 22

5th Anna Tuttle was born in the year 1793, July of the 15

6th Henry Tuttle was born in the year 1795, October the 12

7th John Tuttle (Junior) was born in the year 1797, October the 2

- 8th William Tuttle was born in the year 1799, October the 13
- 9th Peter Tuttle was born in the year 1802, January the 15
- 10th James Tuttle was born in the year 1804, January the 17
- 11th Elijah Tuttle was born in the year 1806, January the 1
- 12th Sarah Tuttle was born in the year 1809, October the 23]



Sarah Boles was born the year 1809 November 22nd
 Barbary Boles was born the year 1811 February the 4
 Alexander Boles was born in the year 1812 March the 23
 James Boles was born in the year 1815 January the 17
 John Boles was born in the year 1817 April the 4
 William Boles was born in the year 1819 April 26
 Anny Ebert the daughter of John & Barbara [one or more words obliterated by an ink blot] Departed this life in the year of our Lord 1831 on the 25 day of April & left an affectionate husband and six Small Children to bemorn [sic] her case (but thanks be to God) She left this world with a lively hope of a better my dear children when you read these lines think of your dear mother as She per fist [professed?] Her Sins pardoned She died in peace with God remembered these lines was rotte [written] by your only erthyly [earthly] parent [parent] whose dayly payr [prayer] is that you may repent & turn to the Lord May first 1832 C. Ebert

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I, Mary E. Co. the daughter
 of John & Barbary
 Tuttle departed this life
 in the year of our Lord
 1837 on the 25 day of
 April & left a afflicted
 torn at husband and six
 small children to require
 your care (but than he be
 to god) She left this world
 with a lively hope of a better
 my dear children when
 you read these lines think
 on your dear mother as the
 purest her sins pardon she
 pleased in peace with god and
 remember these lines was rate
 by your only earthly parent
 whose daily prayer is that
 you may repent & turn to
 the Lord may 1832 E. E. Best

[p 5: Elizabeth Butner, sister of Barbara Fry Tuttle, was 75 years old when she gave an affidavit in support of Barbara's claim for a pension in 1845 in Stokes County, NC.

Elizabeth Butner

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[p 6: On June 12, 1845 in Stokes County North Carolina, Henry Moses, 77, gave testimony that he was well acquainted with the late John Tuttle and his wife Barbary Tuttle who resides in Stokes County North Carolina; that he, the affiant, knew Barbary Tuttle before her marriage; that affiant remembers Barbary Tuttle father, Michael Fry, was very much opposed to his daughter Barbary marrying John Tuttle; to prevent their marriage, Michael Fry sent Barbary to live with affiant's father; that Barbary ran away and married John Tuttle in 1783 and that they are after they always lived together as man and wife until John died.

Henry Moses

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[p 9: On June 5, 1845 in Stokes County North Carolina, Charles Banner, 73, and his wife Rebecca Banner gave testimony that they were well acquainted with John Tuttle and wife Barbary Fry; that Barbary's father was opposed to the marriage; that they were married in 1783 or 1784; that after their marriage, Barbary's father reconciled with them and treated them "friendly" as long as he lived; that John and Barbary had 12 children, to wit "Thomas, Richard &c &c".

~~William~~
Rebecca Barrow

[p 42: Comptroller's report:

Raleigh N.C.
Compt Office
I William W. Foster Comptroller of Public
Accounts in and for the State of North Carolina
do hereby certify that the name of John Stottle
officer of the war in this office as having had
the following Special Certificates issued in
his name for Military Service (Am), One for
Nine Pounds Twelve Shilling (£9.12) see Book
No 24 page 83 also one other in Book No 23
page 114 for Three Pounds Fifteen Shilling
(£3.15) given under my hand and seal
This 3 day July 1845
Wm. W. Foster

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$25 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 5 months service in the North Carolina militia Infantry and 2 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia dragoons. His widow was pensioned in a like amount]