

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Carter Barnett ¹ W5784

Mary Barnett

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State of Tennessee, Roane County

On this 13th day of March 1833 personally appeared in the Honorable Circuit Court for said County it being a Court of record, Carter Barnett aged about 70 years a resident of said County & state aforesaid who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he was born in Campden [sic, Camden] County North Carolina about the year 1763 That he has no record of his age. That he was drafted about the year 1780 for the term of three months in Camden County North Carolina under Capt John Pedrick, Lieut Henry Farlish, Ensign John Gregory, in the regiment of Col. Long. That he marched to Halifax then to Fayette [sic, Fayetteville?] in the State of N. C. That he served out his said term but did not receive any written discharge. That he then volunteered about the year 17__ for three months in said Camden County under Capt John Jones, Genl. Isaac Gregory, Col. Peter Dozier [Peter Dauge] Aide Camp Wm Farly, Adgt. [Adjutant?] Griffin Dozier under the last service, they were a part of the while with Col Parker's Regiment of Grenadiers that he was in no regular battles under either service but in some skirmishes in the last. That he marched under the last service from the Plank bridge in said Camden County to North West River in Virginia. That he served out his three months & was discharged but has long since lost his discharge. He served altogether six months.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to in open Court September 13th 1833.

S/ Carter Barnett, X his mark

S/ Henry H. Wiley, D. C.

[Richard Richards, a clergyman, and George Stewart both of Roane Co., Tenn., gave a supporting affidavit.]

[p 24: On December 7, 1853 in Roane County Tennessee Mary Barnet [sic], aged about 92, made application for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Carter Barnet who was a private in the revolutionary war in the South Carolina Line [sic] and a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$20 per annum; that she married him in December 1805 in Rowan County North Carolina; that she knows of no record evidence of her marriage;

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that her husband died in Roane County Tennessee on the 3rd day of November 1841. She signed her application with her mark. The image of this document as posted on fold3.com is very faint.]

[p 25: On December 7, 1853 in Roane County Tennessee, IV Edwards, 35, Alpha Sylvey, 44, Mary Brashears, 43, and Joseph Brashears, 46, gave testimony that they have known the widow since their earliest recollection; that she is the widow of Carter Barnet; and that Carter Barnet and his widow raised a family of children (none named as such). All signed with their marks other than Joseph Brashears

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph Brashears". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The name is written in a fluid, connected style typical of the mid-19th century.

State of Tennessee County of Roane.

Be it remembered that on this the 18th day of March A.D. 1855 before the subscribed an acting Justice of the Peace within and for said county personally appeared Mrs. Mary Barnett a resident of said county aged about ninety two years and made oath in due form of law that she is the identical person who is now receiving a Revolutionary Pension at the rate of twenty dollars per annum from the Knoxville Tennessee Agency as the widow of Carter Barnet a soldier in the North Carolina Line in the War of the American Revolution. Affiant makes this declaration in order to procure the Land Bounty due her under the act of Congress of March 3rd, 1855, and for proof of service, identity and marriage she refers the Department to the papers on file in the Pension Office in support of her claim by which she is now receiving a pension under the act of February 3rd, 1855. Further by these presents she hereby nominates, constitutes and appoints James W. Newman of Knoxville Tennessee her true and lawful Attorney in her name to prosecute her claim under said act of Congress.

Witness:

S/ A. Atkisson

S/ Mary Barnett, X her mark

S/ B. F. Roberts.

State of Tennessee, Roane County.

On this 24th day of February 1858 personally appeared before me the underneath assigned & a justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid Mary Barnett aged ninety five years a resident of the county and state aforesaid who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of Carter Barnett Deceased who was a private soldier under Capt _____ in the Regt Commanded by Col (Officers names not recollected or known by her.) But refers to the failes [sic, files] in the Pension Office that pensioned her said husband for his services in the Revolutionary war. That her said husband Carter Barnett volunteered & was drafted in the State of South Carolina as she believes the day & date she cannot give but refers to the publick documents for her benefit that he entered the services for twelve months and continued in actual service in said war twelve months and was honorably discharged the time & place to her not known.

She further states that she was married to her said husband Carter Barnett in the State of North Carolina in Roan [sic, Rowan] County by one George March Esq about the year 1799, that her name before marriage was Mary Linville that her said husband died in Roan County Tenn at his own house about the 3rd of November 1843 and that she is still a widow.

She makes this declaration and application for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the act of Congress past [sic, passed] March 1848 for arrears and increase of pension and all other acts past by Congress for her benefit believing herself directly interested as a claimant for an increase or a Pension and makes this application to be failed with such additional evidence as my agent and Attorney may use in prosecuting said claim countermanding and revoking all Powers of Attorneys and other authority heretofore given by her.

I hereby constitute and irrevocably appoint William C. Griffith of Anderson County Tenn my true and lawful Attorney to prosecute my said Claim for my husband's Carter Barnett services in the Revolutionary war for any and all amounts of Pensions arrearage and increase of Pension that may be due me.

And I hereby authorize my said Attorney William C. Griffith to examine all papers and documents in relation to my said claim on file in the war department and elsewhere and to receive for my benefit of the certificate which may be issued for said claim to appoint one or more substitutes under him for the purposes herein expressed and to do all things that I might or could do were I personally present.

Hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said Attorney & agent shall do in the premises.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and date above written.

Attest:

S/ Mary Barnett, X her mark {Seal}

S/ R. S. Roberts

S/ A [illegible] Slivey

[Facts in file: Correspondence in the file refers to the widow as being Mary Linville prior to her marriage to the veteran.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]