

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lowrey (Lowry) W6709

Elender Cook<sup>1</sup>

f69NC

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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 'indecipherable' or 'undeciphered' 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. Researchers should not rely solely on the transcripts but should review the originals for themselves. These transcripts are intended as an aid to research, not to be used in lieu thereof.]

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State of Georgia Jackson County } SS

On the fifth day of September 1849 personally appeared before me Robert White one of the justices of the Inferior Court in and for said County of Jackson and State of Georgia, Elender Cook who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of all laws of the United States which have been, or may be, enacted for the Relief of the Widows of the Soldiers Revolutionary War. To the best of her knowledge and belief, she was born in Frederick County Virginia on the 22nd day of February 1762 and that she has now completed her 87th year; That when she was a mere child her father removed from Virginia to Rowan County North Carolina, in which last mentioned County and State, she was married to John Lowry, on the Sixteenth day of March 1780 by Esquire Cathy, She thinks his Christian name was Richard. The said John Lowry belonged to the Army of the Revolution at the time of her marriage with him, he obtained a furlough for Six weeks, came to Rowan County NC and married at the expiration of his furlough, he returned to the Army, he performed two tours of duty after he was married the first tour was six months or more the time of the second not recollected. That she was intimately acquainted with her husband the said John Lowry for several years before the her marriage with him and knows from personal knowledge of his absence with the Army, as well before as after her marriage with him, the first portion of his services that is before his marriage, she thinks was as a private, in the last two tours of duty, she thinks he was a non-commissioned officer. The last tour he might possibly have been a commissioned officer, but the only thing she knows positively in relation to the matter is that he did actually serve in the War of the Revolution, both before and after his marriage she believes as much as two or three years, her husband has often told her of various incidents in the War, skirmishes, battles and so forth, and frequently spoke of the officers under whom he served but in consequence of extreme old age and failure of memory, she can recollect but little of the subject she remembers the name of General or Colonel Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford], and Captain Grimes<sup>2</sup> have heard my husband speak of General Gates [Horatio Gates] and Greene [Nathanael Greene] of the American and Lord Cornwallis and Colonel Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] of the British, That she lived close to Beatties Ford on the Catawba River, heard the firing of guns, was informed that a skirmish or battle had taken place there in

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<sup>1</sup> Former widow

<sup>2</sup> Probably John Grimes of the Rowan County Regiment

which a British officer was killed her husband was in said battle or skirmish. She knows of no living witness of her husband's services, nor any evidence except a certain certificate, signed by John Houston, Arthur McCree and others before J L Brandon JP and now in possession of her son, John B. Lowry of Jackson County Georgia, nor does she know of any evidence of her marriage except the family record, in possession of the same son. That sometime in the spring of 1790, her husband with herself and family removed from Rowan County NC (where they had resided since the War) to Elbert County Georgia where they resided some 4 or 5 years to the best of her knowledge when they removed to the adjoining County of Franklin in the same State where they resided until about the 12th day of September 1808 when her husband the aforesaid John Lowry died. That she remained a widow until October 1811 when she intermarried with James W. Cook, in Franklin County Georgia. That in February 1812 with her second husband the said Cook she removed to Jackson County Georgia, which he has resided ever since with the exception of about 5 months, that she resided in Habersham County Georgia in the year 1827. That her second husband the aforesaid James W. Cook died in Jackson County Georgia in July 1833 and that she has remained a widow ever since.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of September 1849.

S/ Robt. White, JIC

S/ Elender Cook, X her mark

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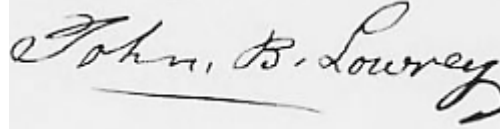
Personally appeared before me Robert White one of the justices of the Inferior Court in and for said County and State aforesaid John B. Lowry who being first duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith, That to the best of his knowledge and belief, he is the son of John Lowry and Elender Cook formerly Elender Lowry, That his father the aforesaid John Lowry, died in Franklin County Georgia about the 12th day of September 1808. That his mother remained a widow until October 1811 when she was legally married in presence of this Deponent, to James W. Cook, by J. Hutson Esquire, a justice of the peace, in and for the County of Franklin and State of Georgia, where said marriage took place. The aforesaid Cook with this Deponent's Mother the said Elender removed with this Deponent from Franklin County Georgia to Jackson County Georgia and lived with this Deponent, with the exception of about seventeen months, until the death of said James W. Cook, which occurred at this Deponent's house in Jackson County Georgia about the 15th day of July 1833 and that his mother the aforesaid Elender has resided with this Deponent in Jackson County Georgia, ever since the death of the said James W. Cook, and that his mother as aforesaid and has remained a widow ever since the death of the said Cook. That his father the aforesaid John Lowry was always esteemed and considered to have been a Soldier of the Revolutionary War. That this Deponent has had in his possession a certain family record on a loose Sheet Paper, for nearly thirty years, which is in the handwriting of this Deponent's oldest brother James Lowry, who is now Dead. That said record has not been in any manner altered, changed or mutilated Since it has been in possession of this deponent. That is to say for nearly thirty years. That this deponent, this day delivered said Record to James A. Green of Forsy [Forsyth] County, Georgia, the Agent of his Mother to be used as evidence in prosecuting her claim for a pension, That about three years ago, this Deponent, while looking over some old papers of his father's the aforesaid John Lowry, found a certain paper purporting to be a certificate of said John Lowry's moral Character, as well as of the fact of his having served in defense of his Country and signed by John Houston, Arthur McCree and others

Executed before J. L. Brandon, JP which said paper has not been in any manner altered, changed or mutilated, since he came to the knowledge of this Deponent which said paper was also, this day delivered to the said James A. Green for the purpose above specified. I also delivered to said Green a certain paper purporting to be signed by "Andrew Kennedy Captain" to be used for the same purpose, which said paper will show for itself. The word "five" erased and the word "seventeen" and the word "Georgia" on the first page interlined, and the word "paper" on the second page and line previous to the administering the oath and signing the same.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of September 1849

S/ Robt. White, JIC

S/ John B. Lowrey

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John B. Lowrey". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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State of North Carolina Rowan County: This is to Certify that the Bearer hereof John Loury [sic] hath lived in the State and County aforesaid and in Candle Creek Settlement from his Childhood and always Behaved himself Civilly and unoffensively and was not at any time guilty of any gross immorality known to us; And Was Very Active in Defense of the continent of America in the State aforesaid & also to the aid of the Neighboring States During the time of the Late War. Certified by us

S/ Jno Houston

S/ Arthur McCree

S/ Capt. Wm Penney

S/ David Houston

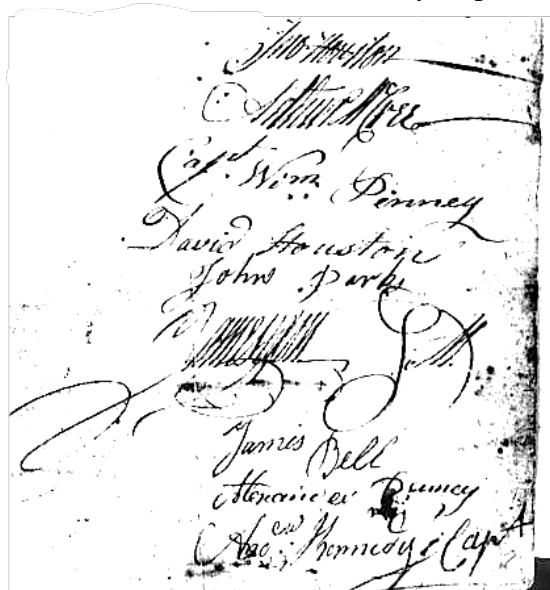
S/ John Park

S/ [illegible, said to be "James Orr, L. M"]

S/ James Bell

S/ Alexander Penney

S/ Andw Kennedy Capt

A collection of handwritten signatures in cursive script, arranged vertically. From top to bottom, the signatures correspond to the names listed in the adjacent text: John Houston, Arthur McCree, Capt. Wm Penney, David Houston, John Park, James Bell, Alexander Penney, and Andrew Kennedy Capt. The signatures are written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[p 15: family record]

James Lowrey was born January the 6th 1781

Ann Lowrey was born January the 25th 1783

Charles Lowrey was born June the 27th 1785

Nathan Lowrey was born November the 29th 1787

Elisabeth Lowrey was born July the 15th 1790

Shadrach Lowrey was born November the 5th 1792

John B. Lowrey was born July the first 1795

Middleton Lowrey was born August the 12th 1797

Elender Lowrey was born October the 14th 1801

Polly Lowrey was born November the 11th 1803

John Lowrey was born April the 12th 1755

Elender Lowrey was born February the 22nd 1762

They was Married Marched the 16th 1780

John D. Lowrey was born September the 10th day 1813

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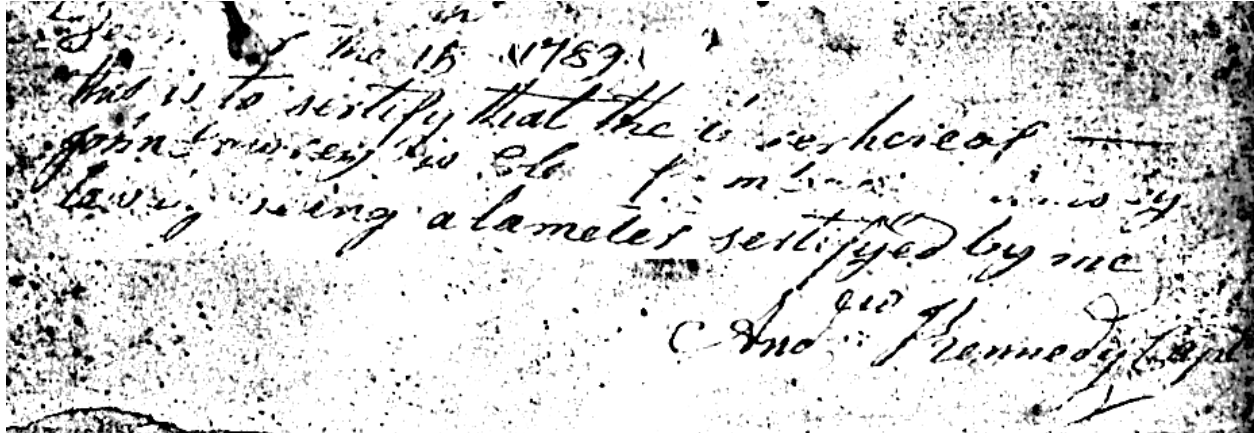
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[illegibly faint text] the 15 1789

This is to certify that the bearer here of John Lowrey is [balance of the text is either too faint to discern or I cannot accurately transcribe] certified by me

Andw Kennedy Capt [Andrew Kennedy Captain]



The image shows a handwritten document on aged, textured paper. The text is written in cursive and reads: "the 15 1789. This is to certify that the bearer here of John Lowrey is [illegible] certified by me Andrew Kennedy Capt". The signature "Andrew Kennedy Capt" is written in a larger, more formal cursive at the bottom right.

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Raleigh NC  
Comptroller's Office

I William F Collins Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State of North Carolina do hereby Certify that the name of John Lowry appears over record in this office as having had the following Specie Certificates issued to his favor for Military Service (viz.) one for Nine pounds six Shillings (£9.6) See Book No. 2 page 39 Also another for Twenty-five pounds (£25) see Book No. 6 page 36 also another for Four pounds Nineteen Shillings (£4.19) see Book No. 1 page 16 Also another for Nine Pounds (£9) See same Book page 16 – Also another for Five pounds Two Shillings (£5.2) See Book No. 14 page 120 Also one other certificate for Nine pounds Six Shillings (£9.6) See Book L No. 2 page 14.

Given under my hand and seal this 1<sup>st</sup> October 1849

William F Collins, Comptroller

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I William F Collins Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State of North Carolina do hereby Certify that it appears from the original Indent Certificate, issued by David Wilson & Will Cathy Commissioners for Salisbury District No. 1231 Agreeable to an Act of the General Assembly passed the 14<sup>th</sup> July 1781, that Captain William Penny was allowed thirty one pounds three Shillings and four pence by said Board the 9<sup>th</sup> of August 1782 for Military Service, see file No. 15 Salisbury District. I further Certify that the twenty two Hundred and Fifty Pounds was paid to Captain Grimes' Company in August 1780 as will appear in Book E Army Page 78.

Given under my hand and Seal This 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1850

William F Collins, Comptroller

[Veteran's widow was inscribed on the pension list at the rate of \$78.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848.]