

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hezekiah Nobles W6844 Elsey (Elcey) Nobles f37NC
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State of Alabama, County of Pike

On this the 16th day of August 1851 personally appeared before me Bird Fitzpatrick Judge of the Probate Court of said County the same being a Court of Record Elcy Nobles a resident of said State and County aged Eighty-Five years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on her Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 Entitled an act "granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows" as also an Act "granting a pension to certain (Widows of) Revolutionary Soldiers" passed 3rd of March 1843, as also an act for the relief of certain surviving widows of officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary Army approved July 29th 1848: That she is the widow of Hezekiah Nobles who was a private and a musician in the War of the Revolution as will appear from the certificates of William Hill Secretary of State and William J. Clarke Comptroller of the State of North Carolina, which are hereto annexed marked A & B. That from the representations and statements of Hezekiah Nobles shortly after the War she is satisfied that he served during the War as a Continental soldier and a musician, that she cannot designate the Terms or period of service and character in which he served more fully than designated in the foregoing Certificates. She further declares that she was married to the said Hezekiah Nobles in the month of February in the year 1786. That her Husband the aforesaid Hezekiah Nobles died on the 20th day of May 1832. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 Viz., at the time above stated, she further swears that she is now a widow and that she has never before made any application for a pension, that there is no record of her marriage nor does she know by whom she can prove the same witnessed the same [sic].

Sworn to & subscribed before me on the day & year above written.

S/ Elcey Nobles, X her mark

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State of North Carolina Office of Secretary of State

I, William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that Hezekiah Nobles a musician in Captain Williams's Company of the fifth Regiment entered the service on the 5th day of May 1777, for the term of 2 ½ years, private September 1777 Discharged October 1778. A warrant for 228 Acres of land was issued for his services 3 December 1796 No. 4068, drawn by H. Nobles.

Given under my hand this 14th day of June 1851

S/ Wm. Hill, Secretary of State

[p Certificate dated June 14, 1851, and given by the Comptroller of Public Accounts for the state of North Carolina showing payments to a Hezekiah Nobles for military service during the revolutionary war as follows:

State of North Carolina
Comptroller's Office
June 14th. 1851.

I William J. Clarke Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears of record in my office that the following payments were made to Hezekiah Nobles for military service in the Revolutionary War to wit:

Book No. 7 page 777 (payments to officers and soldiers of the Continental Line of the State of North Carolina) pay to first of November 1778 with interest to 1st August 1783. \$149.85.00.

Same Book 4 page pay to January 1, 1782 including interest, to 1 August 1783, 5 months not settled \$20.88.00.

Book No. 10. payments to 12 months' draft, 1782, \$20.00.

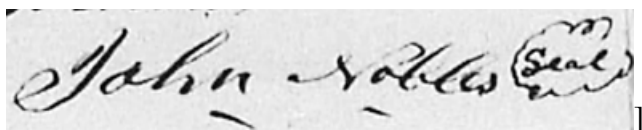
Book No. 26 page 37 \$36.18.00 Hezekiah Nobles
Ditto - 15 \$15.00.00 Hezekiah Nobles
Book No. 19 \$519.65 (Five hundred and nineteen dollars and sixt five cents)

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal of office, the day and year above written
Wm. J. Clarke Compt.

[p 12: Luke Nobles, son of Hezekiah and Elsey Nobles, testified in Chambers County Alabama that he was born March 27, 1796; that John Nobles of Pike County is his brother; that his parents were married and that he heard his father relate his many services during the revolutionary war.

Luke Nobles.

[p 15: On August 11, 1851 in Pike County Alabama John Nobles of Pike County Alabama gave affidavit that he is the son of Hezekiah and Elsie Nobles; that he was born December 28, 1790; that his parents lived together as husband and wife; and that he has heard his father relate his revolutionary experiences; and that his father received bounty lands from the state of North Carolina as result of his revolutionary services.

Handwritten signature of John Nobles in cursive script, followed by a circular seal or stamp.

[p 35: William Trotter of Russell County, Alabama gave testimony as follows: "...that in the year of 1817 or 1818 in South Carolina Edgefield district at a barbecue he the said Trotter saw Hezekiah Nobles a Revolutionary Soldier beat the drum and showing the people how it was beat in the Revolutionary War and saying that he the said Hezekiah Nobles was a muzestioner [sic, musician] in the Revolutionary war." This affidavit was given on April 21, 1852 before John Brown, J. P.]

[Marshall M. Bean gave testimony in Pike County on August 11, 1851 that he was present in Edgefield South Carolina when Hezekiah Nobles died there on May 20, 1832 and that he, the deponent, helped make the coffin in which said Nobles was buried.]

[Veteran was granted a posthumous pension in the amount of \$80 per annum beginning March 4, 1831 and ending May 20, 1832 for his service as a musician in the North Carolina Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]