

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Benjamin Lloyd ¹ W8052

Mary Lloyd

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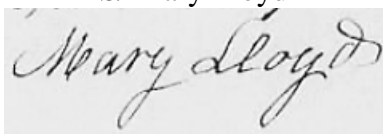
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State of Georgia

On this twentieth day of October in the year 1841, personally appeared before the Judge of the Superior Court of the Cherokee Circuit of said State, Mary Lloyd, a resident of the State of Georgia in the County of Floyd aged eighty 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 made by the act of Congress passed July 7 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows:" That she is the widow of the late Benjamin Lloyd who was a Lieutenant of the Army of the Revolution, in the 4th Regiment of the South Carolina line which was composed of artillery, that the said Lieutenant Benjamin Lloyd was at the siege of Savannah [September 16-October 9, 1779] under General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], and at the battle of Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781 under General Greene [Nathanael Greene] -- and that he continued in the service to the close of the Revolutionary war; That the commission of said Lieutenant Benjamin Lloyd was in the possession of the deponent, until it was destroyed by fire in the City of Savannah in the year 1820. She further declares that she was married to the said Benjamin Lloyd on the 20th day of March 1783 that her husband, the aforesaid Benjamin Lloyd died on the 3rd day of January 1801, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January, 1794, viz., at the above stated time.

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written, before me
S/ Turner H. Trippe, J. S. C. I. C.

S/ Mary Lloyd



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Winnsborough 21st of November 1838

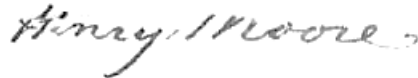
Mr. John F. Lloyd,

Sir at the request of Colonel Abm Blanding I write to you the amount of my Recollections of Lieutenant Benjamin Loyd [sic] of the South Carolina Continental Regiment of

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Artillery. I first got acquainted with him about the time of the Siege of Charleston A.D. 1780 he was then an officer in said Regiment. I do not recollect the date of his commission or how long he had been in the service of the United States wishing you success in your application for his pension, I am with Great respect etc.

Your humble servant
S/ Henry Moore²



[p 38: certificate dated April 2, 1840 from the South Carolina Comptroller Generals Office certifying the payment of £455.8.3 ½ Sterling for Continental pay and rations due him as Lieutenant of the South Carolina Continental Regiment of Artillery.]

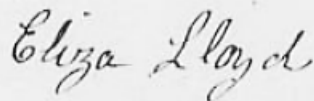
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State of Georgia City of Savannah: Personally appeared Eliza Lloyd who being duly sworn deposed and saith That she is well acquainted with Mrs. Mary Lloyd has known her since the year 1811 as the widow of Benjamin Lloyd who was an officer in the Carolina Service during the revolution. That in the year 1817 deponent married the son of Mrs. Mary Lloyd lived in the same house with her from that time until the year 1827 and from that time with intervals until the year 1837 and during this time she remained unmarried the widow of said Benjamin Lloyd. That since the year 1837 Mrs. Mary Lloyd has resided with her son in the County of Floyd in this state that this deponent has been in constant correspondence with herself and friends as far as human proofs can go independent of the actual evidence of the senses firmly believes that she still remains the widow of Benjamin Lloyd.

On this 29th of January 1842 personally appeared Mrs. Eliza Lloyd & being by me duly sworn verified the above affidavit.

S/ John McBride, District Judge for Georgia

S/ Eliza Lloyd



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State of Georgia of Floyd County: Court of Ordinary Office February 6th 1846

We certify that satisfactory evidence was adduced to us to prove that Mary Lloyd is the widow and Rebecca E. Richardson is the only surviving child of Benjamin Lloyd deceased and that the said Mary Lloyd and Rebecca Richardson sold heirs at law in fee to the said Benjamin Lloyd was a Lieutenant in the Regiment of Artillery of South Carolina during the war of the Revolution.

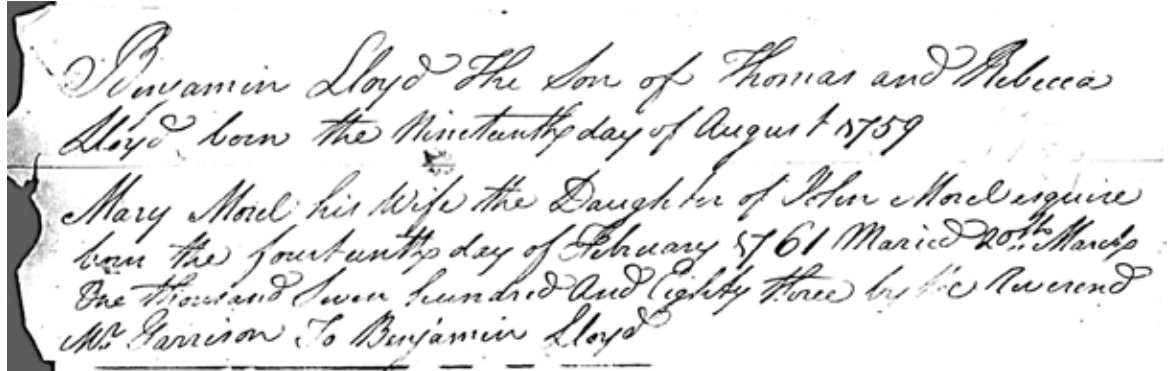
Given under our hands and private seal there being no seal of Office, this 6th day of February 1846

S/ George W. Thomas, JIC
S/ Benjamin Garrett, JIC
S/ N. Yarborough, JIC

² [Henry Moore S46010](#)

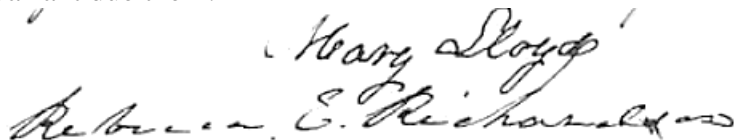
[p 6 family record: partial, but all that was in the file]

"Benjamin Lloyd The Son of Thomas and Rebecca Lloyd born the 19th of August 1759
Mary Morel his Wife the Daughter of John Morel esquire born the 14th day of February 1761
married 21st March 1783 by the Reverend Mr. Harrison to Benjamin Lloyd"



Benjamin Lloyd The son of Thomas and Rebecca
Lloyd born the Nineteenth day of August 1759
Mary Morel his Wife the Daughter of John Morel esquire
born the fourteenth day of February 1761 Married 21st March
One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty three by the Reverend
Mr. Harrison To Benjamin Lloyd

[p 4: On March 2, 1846 in Floyd County Georgia, Mary Lloyd and Rebecca E Richardson, wife of Armstead Richardson, executed a power of attorney in which they state that they are the heirs of Benjamin Lloyd who served as a Lieutenant in the South Carolina artillery. The purpose of the power of attorney was to empower the attorney to apply for and obtain the bounty land warrant due them.



Mary Lloyd
Rebecca E. Richardson

[Facts in file: the widow died January 7, 1855; John F. Floyd, son of the veteran and his widow resided in Floyd County Georgia in 1838 and in Cave Spring Georgia in 1843; the veteran and his wife had a daughter Rebecca E. who married Armsted Richardson; Rebecca Richardson was their sole surviving child in 1846; the widow's brother Peter Henry Morel, married in 1790, Ann (72 in 1842) (maiden name not stated) who was living in Savannah Georgia in 1842; Frances L. Barton testified in Savannah Georgia that Benjamin Lloyd was her mother's brother.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$400 per annum commencing March 4, 1836, for her husband service as a Lieutenant in the South Carolina artillery on the Continental Establishment.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts³ relating to Benjamin Lloyd
Audited Account No. 4624.5

To the Honorable John Lloyd Esquire President and the rest of the Members of the Honorable the Senate.

³ The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. The "SC" file number has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.

The Petition of Benjamin Loyd [sic] of Savannah in the State of Georgia,
Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioner during part of the late War between the United States of America and the Island of Great Britain, having entered into the Service of this State as a Second Lieutenant in the Regiment of Artillery commanded by Colonel Batiman [probably Lt. Col. Barnard Beekman], continued in the same, till the end of the War.

That your Petitioner further Sheweth, that being a Citizen of Georgia, he returned to that State soon after its evacuation by the British Troops, where he has constantly resided ever since; and having been in a public office, has been thereby in a great degree, prevented from making a proper Application for his pay due from this State for his Service as aforesaid.

Your petitioner therefore humbly hopes that Your Honorable House taking into consideration the merits of this application, will order his Account to be audited, that he may thereby be enabled to obtain such compensation as was given to the rest of the Officers in the Service of this State.

Annual petitioner as in honor bound will ever pray.

S/ Ben. Lloyd

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ben. Lloyd". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

[Reported on favorably by a committee of the SC House of Representatives March 2, 1789 and the SC Senate on March 10, 1789.]