

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Loughry¹ W8263

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Declaration: In order to obtain the benefits of the 2nd Section of the Act of the 3rd of February 1853

State of North Carolina Robeson County: On this the 22nd day of September 1853 personally appeared before the subscriber an acting Justice of the peace in & for said County Mrs. Susan Loughry resident of said County & State aforesaid aged about 70 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed the 3rd of February 1853 granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War. That she is the widow of William Loughry who was a soldier of the Revolutionary War. That she often heard her husband the said William Loughry said that he served a private under the command of Captain Rowland of in the militia & that he served also in the Continental line 10th Regiment under the command of Colonel Shepard & others that she has reason to believe that he remained in the Army about 4 years &c. She further declares that she was married to the said William Loughry in the year 1803 & that her said husband died on the 26th day of May 1847 aged about 92 years, that she was not married to him prior to the 2nd of January 1800 but at the time above stated. She further declares that she is now a widow. Further she would refer you to a declaration heretofore made & sent to the department also to deposition since.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the date above written.

S/ John C. Sinclair, JP

S/ Susan Loughry, X her mark

State of North Carolina Robeson County: On this 21 day of April 1853 Personally appeared before the Subscriber an acting Justice of the peace in & for said County Mrs. Susan Loughry resident of said County aged 70 years & widow of William Loughry who having been duly sworn doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832. That she is the widow of William Loughry who was a revolutionary soldier that she often heard her husband the said William Loughry say that he served under the command of Captain Rowland in the militia that he also served in the

¹ Based solely on the name of the veteran, his wife's maiden name and the names of most of the witnesses who testified in support of her applications coupled with their being residents of Robeson County, NC, I strongly suspect that this veteran was a Native American of the Lumbee Tribe.

Continental Army 10th Regiment under the command of Colonel Shepherd & others. That he remained in the service about 3 years that he had a large scar on one of his arms that he said he received while in the Army. That she & William Loughry were married the year 1803 in the County of Robeson that Mrs. Loughry's maiden name was Susan Locklier [Susan Locklear?], that her husband the said William Loughry died the 26th of May 1847 aged 95 years. The reason why the said William Loughry did not apply himself in his lifetime for a pension under said act was because he was so old & infirm & had no means to employ any person to prosecute his claim he being a County charge the last 10 years he lived. She therefore makes this application for the whole amount of pension due her husband the said William Loughry up to the day of his death on account of the services rendered by him said war.

S/ Susan Loughry, X her mark

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day above written.
S/ John C. Sinclair, JP

[fn p. 11: on April 21, 1853 in Robeson County North Carolina Jordan Oxendine gave a supporting affidavit as to his belief of the services of William Loughry during the revolution. He testified that he (affiant) had reason to believe the veteran served under Capt. Rowland & others for 3 years.

Jordan Oxendine]

[fn p. 13: on April 21, 1853 in Robeson County North Carolina Mrs. Easter Oxendine gave a supporting affidavit as to her belief of the services of William Loughry during the revolution.]

[fn p. 15: on April 21, 1853 in Robeson County North Carolina Jesse Jones gave an affidavit in support of the widows claim stating that he heard William Loughry state that he was under the command of Captain Rowland that he was at the battle of Moore's Creek bridge and that, at some point in his service, he was under Captain Rowland.]

[fn p. 17: on April 21, 1853 and Robeson County North Carolina Aaron Revels {Revils?} gave testimony supporting the widow's claim for a pension as to the reputation of William Loughry as a soldier of the revolution. He testified he recalls seeing a large scar on one of the veteran's arms which the veteran said was the result of a wound received in the revolution]

[fn p. 23: Major Alexander Watson gave testimony on December 15, 1853 in Robeson County North Carolina setting forth his belief that William Loughry was a soldier of the revolution; that he often heard him speak of the hardships and privations he endured and saw the scar on his arm; that he believed William Loughry lived in Duplin County at the time of the revolution in that part of Duplin County that later became Robeson County.

Alexander Watson]

[fn p. 29: Certificate dated July 5, 1854, from William J. Clarke, North Carolina Comptroller of Public Accounts setting forth this amounts paid to William Loughry for military services in the revolutionary war.]

[fn p. 33: On May 30, 1853 in Robeson County North Carolina Mrs. Rhody Lockleer [Rhoda Locklear?], nearly with 100 years of age, made affidavit that she knew William Loughry for about 80 years; heard him say he was a soldier in the revolution; saw a large scar on one of his arms that he said he received while in the Army; that he stated he was in the Army about 3 years.]

[fn p. 35: On May 30, 1853 in Robeson County North Carolina Mrs. Nancy Locklier [Nancy Locklear?], nearly 100 years of age, gave testimony that she was acquainted with William Loughry about 80 years; that she frequently heard him say he was a soldier in the revolution; that he was in several battles but she cannot name them; that he told her about the hardships and privations he endured while in the Army; that he stated he was in the service about 3 years.]

[fn p. 40: on September 22, 1853 in Robeson County North Carolina, Moses Oxendine gave an affidavit in support of the application of the widow stating that he believes the veteran and his widow were lawfully married and lived together as man and wife until the veteran's death in 1847.]

[fn p. 49: the reviewer [who signed his/her brief on this application simply "S. G. D."] concludes his/her brief with the following statement: "I strongly suspect that most of the papers in this case are false—Feb. 16, 1854, S. G. D. (see case of Arch'd McNeill Deceased)." On fn p. 53, there is another bried signed "S. G. Dodge, Examining Clerk."]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing February 3rd, 1853. In addition, the widow's application for the unclaimed pension due her husband during his lifetime was also approved at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending May 26, 1847, the date of his death.]