

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Goodwyn (Goodwin) W8861 Grace Goodwin f31SC

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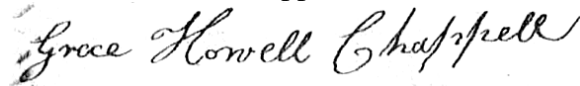
State of South Carolina, District of Richland

On this first day of March in the year of our Lord 1852, personally appeared, in open court, now sitting, before the undersigned Judge of the Court of Ordinary within and for said District in which is a Court of Record, Mrs. Grace H. Chappell a resident of said District and State, aged about 57 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 7th, 1838 entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows," & also such other acts and resolutions of Congress as are applicable to this declarant's claim: That she is the daughter of and only living child of Mrs. Grace Goodwyn deceased who was the widow of Captain, afterwards styled Colonel, William Goodwyn who as this deponent has been informed and believes entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated: Captain afterwards Colonel Robert Goodwyn was the father of said William Goodwyn and said Robert Goodwyn commanded a Company in 3rd South Carolina Continental Regiment commonly called the Regiment of Rangers, and commanded by Colonel William Thomson in the year 1776 and that said William served under his said father said Captain Robert Goodwyn Captain of said Regiment, said William Goodwyn's service being as private most likely while in said company & Regiment: That afterwards, to wit about the year 1779 said Robert Goodwyn having been promoted to the command as Colonel of a Regiment of militia and South Carolina, his said son William Goodwin this Declarant's father, was promoted to a Lieutenancy in said Regiment and served in such capacity more than 4 months, the same being in what was most likely turned the Snow Camps. That afterwards during the war & from about the year 1780, in the year following her said father said Lieutenant William Goodwin was promoted to Captain in the militia in which capacity he served most of said years under Colonel Thomas Taylor & Major Robert Lyell [Robert Lyle] who also lived in the same neighborhood with said Captain William Goodwyn embraced in the present Richland District in which this Declarant now lives. That the battles in which her said father was engaged or the Countries through which he passed this Declarant is unable to remember she being almost an infant at the date of his death, but that after he left the service and soon after the close of the war he married this Deponent's mother Mrs. Grace Goodwyn deceased (at the particular day or year upon which the marriage took place this Deponent on account of the fact that she has not now, nor has she had for years her father's & mother's family Record, cannot state but from facts she has gathered allies based upon a record entry the date of their marriage must have been about the year 1789 or earlier). That they continued to live together as husband & wife in the same

neighborhood in which her said father said Captain William Goodwyn had lived before & during the war, until the date of his death about 51 years ago: That his widow this Declarant 's said mother Mrs. Grace Goodwyn continued as such widow then lived in the same neighborhood until the date of her death which took place on the ___ day of January in the year 1842, at the residence of this Deponent. She further declares that her mother never made application for her pension either to this State or the United States. She further the Claire's that her said mother said to Mrs. Grace Goodwyn deceased was married to the said Captain William Goodwyn on the ___ day of ___ seventeen hundred and about Eighty nine-- that her said father the said Captain William Goodwyn died on the ___ day of ___ about 1801: that her said mother was not married to her said farther prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794, viz., at the time above stated. Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written Before me.

S/ James S. Guignard, Judge of Court of Ordinary

S/ Grace Howell Chappell



[p 7: Joel Adams, 68, gave an affidavit in support of the claim stating that he knew Colonel and Mrs. Goodwyn lived in his neighborhood as he was growing up, that they lived together as husband and wife all the time he knew; that he grew up with their son Uriah Goodwyn, now deceased, and knows that Mrs. Grace Howell Chappell is their daughter. His affidavit is dated October 5, 1852 and was given before John Salley, Magt.]

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State of South Carolina, Richland District

Personally appeared before me an acting Magistrate within & for said district, Benjamin Hart, State Librarian who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath state: That he is nearly 86 years of age: That he was born brought up and has ever lived near where Columbia in Richmond District is now situated: That this Deponent had a brother Captain Daniel Hart who was a Captain in the war of the revolution in the 3rd South Carolina Continental Regiment commanded by Colonel William Thomson and deponent knew several of the officers of the said Regiment during the war. That he was acquainted with Robert Goodwyn Captain in said Regiment and afterwards Colonel in the militia in service and deponent also during the war knew of said Colonel Robert Goodwyn's son, Captain William Goodwyn in service as Captain in the militia and saw him in that capacity under Major Robert Lyell [Robert Lyle] & Colonel Thomas Taylor at Orangeburg in this State in 1781: Deponent during the whole war and for years afterwards lived at Granby some 2 miles below where Columbia is now situated and that within a few miles of said Granby lived Colonel Robert Goodwyn & Captain William Goodwyn above mentioned and also in the same vicinity Colonel Thomas Taylor & Lyell: That deponent was clerk in the Store of Taylors & Rae at Granby aforesaid about 1783 and for several years afterwards remained at said place as clerk and as such had frequent opportunities of seeing the handwriting of said Colonel Robert Goodwyn, Colonel Thomas Taylor, Major Robert Lyell & of William Meyer who was Justice of the Peace in what was then called Camden District which embraced the present Richland District all of these persons living in what is now Richmond District, and from deponent's knowledge of their handwritings which he then saw frequently to orders sent to the store in which he was employed & otherwise, he is certain that the signatures,

which he has been requested to examine in the account Number 21, Book Y, on file in the office of the Comptroller General of South Carolina at Columbia this day, are in the handwriting respectively of said Colonel Robert Goodwyn, Colonel Thomas Taylor, Major Robert Lyell, and William Meyer Justice of the Peace. Said Captain William Goodwyn afterwards called Colonel William Goodwyn continued to live in the same neighborhood until his death about 51 or 2 years ago leaving surviving him Mrs. Grace Goodwyn. That this Deponent is entirely disinterested in any amount which the heirs of said parties may recover on account of said Colonel William Goodwyn's services as aforesaid. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of January 1852.

Before me

S/ Benjamin Hart

S/ A. Fitch, Magt.

[p 22: Thomas Heath, 78, also gave a supporting affidavit as to the fact of William and Grace Goodwyn living together as husband and wife and as to Grace Howell Chappell being a daughter of theirs. His affidavit is dated January 24th 1852.]

[Veteran's widow's heir was granted a pension in right of her mother at the rate of \$394.68 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836 and ending December 20, 1841 (date of the widow's death), for her father's service as a private, Lieutenant & Captain in the South Carolina Continental line and militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts ¹ relating to William Goodwyn	pp32
Audited Account No. 2966	
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No. 73

No. 21

Lib. [Book] Y 23rd August 1785

Mr. William Goodwyn his account of 149 days Militia duty as Lieutenant in 1779 Charged

[old South Carolina currency] £298.0.0

Deduct an Overcharge

of 5/ per day as within Stated 37.5.0

£260.15.0

also for 492 days duty

as Captain in 1780,

1781 & 1782 at £3 per day £1476.0 .0

£1736.15.0

Stg [Sterling] £248.2.1 ½

Ex^d. T. W. [Examined by T. W. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

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1780

October 1 st	State South Carolina to Captain William Goodwyn To Service done in South Carolina under the command of Colonel Thomas Taylor from the 1 st day of October to the 4 th day October 1781 both days included, 156 days as Captain of Militia at [word obliterated]	Debtor £ S d 558.0.0
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5th of April
1781

To service done at Congarees under the command of Colonel Thomas Taylor from the 1 st day of April to the 12 th day of July both days included 90 days as Captain of militia at 60/ per day	£294.0.0
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8 Sept.
1781

To service done at Orangeburg also services done at four Holes & Biggin Church under the command of Colonel Taylor & Major Lyell [Robert Lyell] as Captain of Militia amounting to 180 days [text obliterated]	£[text obliterated] £1476.0
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The amount of the former currency is Reduced into Sterling	£1476.0 .0 £270.?? .0
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I do Certify that the Duty mentioned [word obliterated] was done
S/ Thos. Taylor, Colo.

Camden District } Before me William Meyer Personally appeared the within named William Goodwyn Captain and made oath that [text too faint to discern] the Public is Just and true and that no part thereof has [text written over and rendered illegible] or other Consideration for the service

Sworn to the 20 Day
September 1784 before me
S/ Wm Meyer, JP

S/ William Goodwyn

Certified by S/ Robert Lyell, Major

4th February
1779

The State of South Carolina to Lieutenant William Goodwyn

Debtor

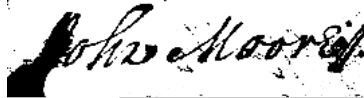
To service done at Augusta
& Stono from the 4th February
to the 4th of July both days
included 149 days as Lieutenant
in Colonel Robert Goodwyn's
Regiment of Militia at 40/ per day £298.0.0
Former currency £298.0.0
Sterling £42.11.5

Certified by R. Goodwyn, Colonel in Statement on the other side

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Received 19 December 1786 from the Commissioners of the Treasury full Satisfaction for the
within Account in an Indent No. 21 Y by order for William Goodwyn

S/ John Moore



Duty as Lieutenant	£298.0.0
deduct less being overcharged	<u>37.5.0</u>
5/ per day 149 days	<u>£260.15.0</u>
Duty as Captain	<u>£1476</u>
	<u>£1736.15.0</u>
Stg.	£248.2.1 ½

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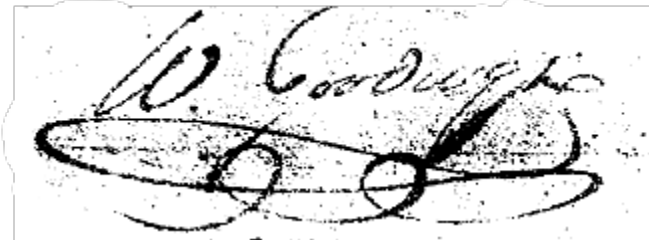
Gentlemen.

Please deliver to John Moore my Indent to the amount of Two hundred & fifty pounds for
Service in the Militia certified by Colonels Taylor & Robert Goodwyn

& you'll Oblige Gentlemen

your humble Servant

S/ W Goodwyn



Messrs. Boquet & Mitchell
treasurers
& take payment out of the
same for such Grants as he will produce
20th December 1786