

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Moore W9205

Ruth Moore

f43SC

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South Carolina York District: On this 11th day of April 1849 before me personally appeared Jacob B Moore a resident of said district aged 63 years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836. That this declarant the aforesaid Jacob B. Moore only surviving child of John Moore Revolutionary Soldier deceased states that the said John Moore was an officer and private soldier in the Army of the Revolution as he has always understood and still believes and as such he served the United States against the common enemy in the South Carolina Militia and State Troop. That he the said John Moore entered the service of the United States in 1775 in the Snow Campaign<sup>1</sup> under the command of General Richardson [Richard Richardson] and was generally in service from the above period until the close of the war. a great part of the time in Colonel Brandon's [Thomas Brandon's] Regiment Sumter's [Thomas Sumter's] Brigade as a Lieutenant or Captain. And has often heard his father said John Moore and as well as his mother say that he said John Moore was almost constantly in service from the year 1779 until he entered the State Troop in the spring of 1781 in which viz. the State Troops he served a tour under an enlistment for 10 months Captain Giles' Company Hill's Regiment Sumter's Brigade and was promised a Negro for said service. And that after the above he served in the Militia until the close of the war, and was in the battles of Briar Creek,<sup>2</sup> Rocky Mount,<sup>3</sup> Hanging-Rock,<sup>4</sup> Cowpens,<sup>5</sup> Eutaw Springs<sup>6</sup> and many others in the same State, and that the above contains the only a part of the service of said John Moore. That his services were well-known and duly appreciated. He farther declares that the said John Moore was married in the year 1777 to Ruth Brown of Chester District South Carolina (then Camden) and as husband and wife they lived together until the death of the said John Moore who died on the 10th day of February 1809 and that his widowed Ruth departed this life on the 29th day of September 1843 not having intermarried after the death of her said husband the aforesaid John Moore. Declarant further says that he has in support of the marriage of the aforesaid parties their family register showing the births of their children and that he believes the same to be strictly correct

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_snow\\_campaign.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_snow_campaign.html)

<sup>2</sup> Briar Creek March 3, 1779 <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790304-briar-creek/>

<sup>3</sup> July 30, 1780: [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_rocky\\_mount.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_rocky_mount.html)

<sup>4</sup> August 6, 1780: [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_hanging\\_rock.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_hanging_rock.html)

<sup>5</sup> January 17, 1781: [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_cowpens.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_cowpens.html)

<sup>6</sup> September 8, 1781: [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_eutaw\\_springs.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html)

and is hereunto annexed.

York District Common Pleas Spring Term 1849

the above declaration was sworn to in open court before me

S/ Edward Frost, Presiding Judge

S/ J. B. Moore, Senr.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. B. Moore Senr.", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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South Carolina York District

Before me personally appeared Robert Wilson<sup>7</sup> a resident of said district aged 90 years and pensioner of the United States at the rate [of] \$80 per annum who being first duly sworn according to law says that he was intimately and personally acquainted with John Moore Revolutionary soldier late of York District deceased whose son Jacob B. Moore is now an applicant for a pension in right of his mother Ruth wife and widow of the said John Moore he further says that he was acquainted with the said John Moore previous to the revolution that he the said John Moore & his wife went to the same school on Brown's Creek now Union district South Carolina and that his first service in the revolution was in the Snow Campaign 1775 a tour of 3 months & some days deponent afterwards saw him repeatedly in the service but did not serve with him anymore on till the year 1780 when he found him the said John Moore in Sumter's camp at Hagler's branch North Carolina and was in the battles of hanging rock & Rocky Mount together more was in Brandon's Regiment in whose neighborhood he lived after his marriage to Ruth Brown Sumter's brigade and done the greater part of his service in that Regiment before he entered the State Troop as a private the spring of 1781 Colonel Hill's Regiment Sumter's brigade and served a tour of 10 months deponent did not serve in the State Troop but knows of his own personal knowledge that the said John Moore was in the State Troop as above as he saw him repeatedly in that Service deponent cannot say what rank the said John Moore held in the militia all the time he was in service in Brandon's Regiment but well recollects he was a Lieutenant or Captain and always had the reputation of being almost constantly in service from the winter of 1779 until the close of the war he further says that the said John Moore was married to Ruth Brown before or about the time that the deponent went into the regular Army and lived on Brown's Creek as above stated until near the close of the war when he moved to York district and settled on Broad River where he lived up to the time of his death which took place many years past.

Sworn to & subscribed this 20th April 1849 before me

S/ Robert Wilson

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert Wilson", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

S/ J. P. Hood, Magt.

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<sup>7</sup> [Robert Wilson W2302](#)

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South Carolina York District

Before me personally appeared Joseph Jamieson<sup>8</sup> aged 85 years and pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$24.10 per annum who being first duly sworn according to law says that he was personally and intimately acquainted with John Moore Revolutionary Soldier late of your District deceased that they were in the same school together previous to the Revolutionary war and that his wife & widow then Ruth Brown went to the same school he further says that the said John Moore always had the reputation of doing good service to his Country in the Revolution from the co<sup>9</sup>mmencement of hostilities in 1775 until the close of the war the greater part of his time in Colonel Brandon's Regiment in whose neighborhood he lived after his marriage to the said Ruth round Sumter's Brigade deponent never was in Service with the said John Moore and cannot say what rank he held in the militia or State Troops but was always regarded by the community as a very forward & brave man and shortly after the war he moved & settled in York District SC where he the said John Moore died leaving his wife a widow long since.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 19th of April 1849

S/ J P Hood, Magistrate

S/ Joseph Jamieson, X his mark

[p 14: J. B. Moore testifies that his father's estate was administered by his (affiant's) brother John Moore who died in Mississippi some time ago; that he, the affiant, has been unable to find his father's commission. This affidavit is dated February 6, 1850.]

[p 19: South Carolina Comptroller General's certificate of payments made to John Moore, a private in Giles Troop, Hill's Regiment, Sumter's Brigade as well as other militia services including one entry for payments made to a Captain John Moore.]

[p 21, Robert Wilson gives testimony that John Moore was the identical John Moore "who had a fight with Coleman's Tories in the Union District SC and that he was then in command of that Company."]

[p 7: There are several references made in this file to the existence of a family register but I cannot find it in this file. The following information was taken from an undated abstract made by the staff of the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century:

widow died Sept. 29, 1843 in York District, SC

"Children: William, b. Dec. 28, 1778; John B. Nov. 7, 1780; G\_\_ b. Nov. 8, 1782; Page b. Sept. 20, 1785; Jacob B. b. Mch. 19, 1787; Gordon b. Nov. 15, 1788; Ruth b. Mch 1, 1802; Jacob B. Moore and Margaret Clark were the only surv. children Nov. 19, 1849; brother William."]

[Veteran's widow was initially pensioned at the rate of \$95 per annum. Her pension was increased to \$171.66 based on her husband service for 9 months as a private in the infantry; for 10 months as a private in the cavalry and for 5 months as a Captain, some service in the South Carolina militia and some in the 3<sup>rd</sup> South Carolina Regiment on the Continental establishment.]

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<sup>8</sup> [Joseph Jamieson S9360](#)

<sup>9</sup> This MIGHT be a reference to the engagement at Gibson's Meeting House on June 10, 1780 between Whigs led by Lt. Col. William Bratton and Loyalists led by Col. Charles Coleman.

[http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_gibsons\\_meetinghouse.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_gibsons_meetinghouse.html)