

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Osborne (Osborn) W9217 Catharine

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State of South Carolina city of Charleston: In the Matter of the application for a Pension by widow of Mrs. Thomas Osborne

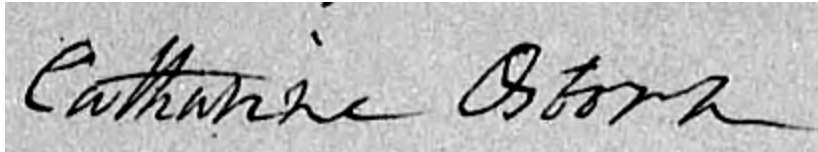
Declaration of Mrs. Catherine Osborne – to obtain the benefit of the Acts of Congress of fourth of July 1836 and of the Act of 1837 relative to the provision made for Widows of Officers, who served in the Revolutionary War –

Personally appeared, before the Honorable Jacob Axson Recorder of the City of Charleston & Judge of the City Court Mrs. Catherine Osborne, the widow of Thomas Osborn on this __ day of June A.D. 1839 a resident of the City of Charleston, State aforesaid, aged ninety-three years upon being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the Acts of Congress of 4 July 1836 and such provisions which in the judgment of the Department may entitle the said Petitioner two relief under the facts & circumstances of her case. She saith that she is the widow of Thomas Osborne who served in the revolutionary war in the capacity of a Captain in the Militia Service – he entered into the Service, at an early period, being sometimes previous to July in the year 1776 as a Lieutenant in Militia Company under the command of Colonel Isaac Hayne as the Captain of said Company and served in Charleston he afterwards served as Captain in a Militia Company as well as Deponent knows & remembers & has been informed being the same company raised originally under the command of Colonel Isaac Hayne and did serve in the Militia at the siege of Savannah, and was there viz. in the fall of the year 1779 – doing duty with the Army, by whom that campaign was conducted in the Southern States & the Siege of Savannah was made, and also was in an engagement with the enemy at Moncks Corner and also he was with the Army during the Service and fought at the Battle of Beaufort which Deponent knows of. This deponent further saith that she and the said Thomas Osborne were married on the 28th of April 1768 then he died about (the) on the 17th day of January in the year 1809 – and that since his death she has continued unmarried and remains his widow to the present time – as will appear by the proofs hereunto annexed and she humbly craves a reference to the proofs which she has obtained, at this late period & after the decrease of the contemporaries of her said husband by home more foolproof could have been furnished.

Sworn to before me

S/ Jacob Axson

S/ Catharine Osborn



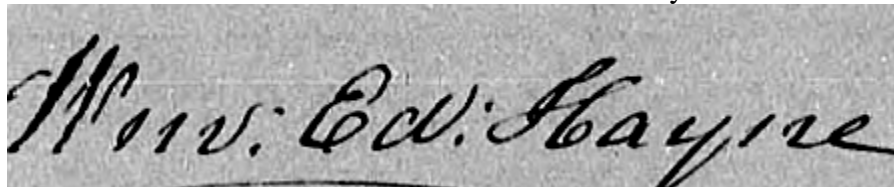
[fn p. 10: On June 18, 1839 in Charleston South Carolina, Mrs. Margarett Savage, oldest child (alive) Catherine Osborne gave a supporting affidavit verifying the family record as being in her father's handwriting and telling of having heard her father talk about his experiences in the revolution.]

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Personally appeared before the Honorable Jacob Axson Recorder of the City of Charleston & Judge of the City Court, William E Payne Esquire – who being sworn in due form of law saith that he is the son of Colonel Isaac Hayne of the Revolution that he was well acquainted with the late Thomas Osborne, whose widow (as he is informed) is applying for a pension. That he has seen among his Father's papers a list of his Father's writing: of the officers & privates of a company in the militia which his Father commanded at the beginning of the revolutionary war and that the said Thomas Osborne was therein stated to be a Lieutenant in said Company but the said list is lost he (Deponent) now has in his possession a Diary written by his said Father in which it is mentioned that in on the 18th of July 1776 he said Isaac Hayne went up the path with Lieutenants Osborne & Clifford and that upon their return Lieutenant Osborne and himself dined at their quarters my Father at the time was with his company in service defending Charleston from an expected attack of the British as appears from other memoranda in the same diary the same Thomas Osborne sometime after the termination of the war was Sheriff of Charleston District and it was generally understood that he had served as an officer in the Revolutionary War.

Sworn to before me.

S/ Wm Ed. Hayne



S/ Jacob Axson, Recorder

[fn p. 4: family record:

Thomas Osborn was born the ninth of February 1744

Catherine Osborn, his wife was born the 30th September [paper torn rest of entry missing]

Thomas Osborn, married Catharine his wife the 28th April 1768

William Osborn, son of Thomas & Catherine, was born 13th of March 17 [paper torn, text missing] & died the third of September 1769

Margarett Osborn, daughter of Thomas & Catherine was born [paper torn, text missing] ember 1770 was Baptized by the Reverend Thomas ??inting ye 1st [paper torn, text missing]

Martha Ann Osborn, daughter of Thomas & Catherine Osborn born the 10th day of May 1773 seven o'clock in ye evening

George Savage was married to Margarett Osborn 14 December 1786

William Savage son of Georgia & Margarett Savage was born nine November 1787

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Sir Please to send me by the barer what Money you may have in your hands due to me by the Public I would have waited on you my Sales but have not got a Saddle. Mr. Rutherford would be glad to have what Money may be due him after deducting for Accts against him.

I am Sir your Humble Servant

S/ Jno Livingston

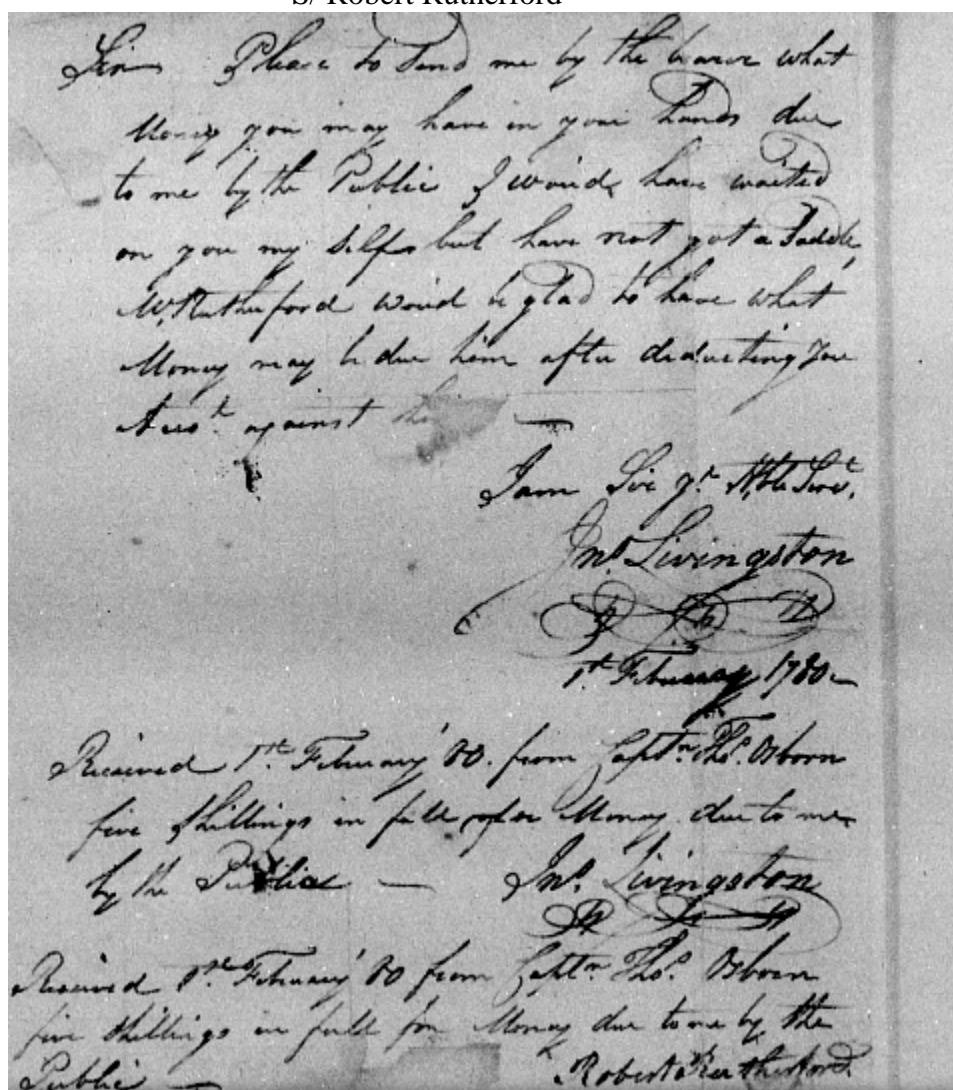
1st of February 1780

Received first February '80 from Captain Thos. Osborne five shillings in full for Money due to me by the Public.

S/ Jno Livingston

Received 1st February '80 from Captain Thos. Osborne five shillings in full for Money due to me by the Public.

S/ Robert Rutherford



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A List of the Names of the Men who had Pulick Arms on the Examination made ye 25th Jany Viz.

Captn Sanders's Company

Jacob Martin

Wm Mall

Nicholas Walton

David Cole

Jas. Hendrick

Dennis Mahoney

Thos. Connerly

Thos. Cox

Jos. Markess

John Cowen

Jas. Simpson

John Thompson

George Stuart

Martin Loyd 14

Captn. Willsons Company

Alex'dr Duglass

Jacob Hoofman

Robt. Miles

Wm Bee

Thos. Farr

Jasper Blaze

Jos. Smith 7

Captn. Martins Do

Saml. Smith

Paul Wallters 2

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Captn. Hardens Company

Alexdr Thompson

Wm Sleigh

John Fountain

Jessey Tilman 4

Captn. Hutchinson's Company

Jos. Wells

Wm Hull

Wm Carter

Thos. Warren 4

Captn. McLaughlin's Company

Jos. Perry

Daniel McKenziey

Chs. Linsey

Jos. Reynolds

Wm Findley

Rich'd Fitzpatrick 6

Captn. Ozburn—Company

Thos. Steel

Henry Fletcher

Jas. Donnalld

Jos. Williams

Thos. Harvey

Barachia Harper 7

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Brought Over 44

Captn. Postells Company

Francis Nicholas

Jos. Koger

Wm Bowen

Chs. North

Saml. Yose

John Harmon

Thos. Becket

Jas. Mulholland

Christ. Jourden

Alexdr. Wilson

Saml. Eastlake 11

Captn. Ladsons Company

Saml. Markess

Benjn. Strain

John Graves

Jas. Hamleton

Epraim Bayley

George Timmons

Nance McCullough

Chs. Bowler

David Stevens

Wm Murra

Wm Adams

Hugh Wasson

John Catterton 13

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State of South Carolina City of Charleston

Personally appeared before me Mrs. Margaret Savage – who being sworn in due form of law deposeth that – the two old papers one a letter to her father, Thomas Osborne deceased from John Livingston – and the other a list of arms – which are to be annexed to these presents, were found after diligent search in a trunk, in which were deposited and kept the old papers of her said father, the same being in possession of her mother Mrs. C. Osborne which papers that

accompany these presents were in the said trunk in which the papers of her father were put away and were put away by her during his lifetime.

Sworn to this 12th day of March 1840 before

S/ Th. O. Elliott, JQ

S/ Margaret Savage

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State of South Carolina

Personally appeared before me Thomas O Elliott the Justice of the Quorum for the district of Charleston in the State aforesaid, Joseph Righton¹ who being first sworn in due form of law maketh oath and saith that he is unable to state the precise date of the rank of Thomas Osborne as Captain in the service during the Revolutionary War. Deponent knows that the said Thomas Osborne was in the action of Beaufort but is unable to say what was his rank and that Battle. Deponent is strongly inclined to the opinion that he was then a Lieutenant, and became a Captain in a short time after. He knows positively that he was a Captain when he marched in the summer of 1779 with the South Carolina Militia to the Siege of Savannah, and that he continued in the service as Captain and was at the Siege of Charleston when it surrendered to the British, and that he was not taken Prisoner but continued in the service having joined himself with the Troops in the interior of the State, and continued an active and efficient officer during the whole of the War and South Carolina up to the Evacuation of Charleston. The pond turning the subject over in his mind he is satisfied that Captain Osborne was with the forces under the command of General Green when he marched into Charleston, on the day the British troops marched out. This Deponent further saith that from what he has heard from others, and his own knowledge and from conversations with the said Thomas Osborne in his lifetime, with them he was on social and friendly terms, he is satisfied that the said Thomas Osborne was in the service as a Captain from the summer of 1779 up to the surrender of Charleston in May 1780, and that afterwards he continued to be actively engaged and was in service as he has always understood and believes during all the time that the British held possession of Charleston.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th July 1840

S/ Th. O. Elliott, JQ

S/ Joseph Righton

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Deposition of Joseph Righton a resident of the City of Charleston now in his 78th year; and who is a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States – Taken to prove the Revolutionary Services of Thomas Osborne, whose widow is about to apply for a pension.

This Deponent being first duly sworn according to law, Deposeth, That he was acquainted with Thomas Osborne who was a Lieutenant and afterwards a Captain of a Militia Company, which did service in the Revolutionary War.

Deponent also knew Colonel Isaac Hayne who commanded the Company in which the said Thomas Osborne was a Lieutenant, and to the command of which company the said Thomas Osborne was advanced. This Deponent has always understood, and confidently believes that the services of the said Thomas Osborne extended through the greater part of the War. Deponent knows that he was a Captain in the service at the time that Charleston surrendered. That he was not among those who were made prisoner of War, But escaped, and joined himself in service with the Troops then scattered about the Country. Deponent was made prisoner at the surrender of Charleston, and sent to Philadelphia on parole. After the exchange of prisoners he returned to

¹ [Joseph Righton W22074](#)

South Carolina about two months before the British troops Evacuated Charleston, and joined General Greene's Army at Ashley Hill, and when Charleston was evacuated he marched with General Greene's army into Charleston on the same day the British Troops marched out. After the Evacuation Deponent met with Captain Osborne in the City dressed in his uniform, and Deponent does not hesitate to expresses believe that the said Thomas Osborne was, and continued to be in the service of the Country from the time that Charleston surrendered two Sir Henry Clinton, up to the time of the Evacuation thereof – Deponent further saith, That after the Peace the said Captain Osborne continued to be held in high estimation and regard for his Revolutionary services and was elected to the office of Sheriff which he held for several years. That he continued in acquaintance and friendly intercourse with the said Thomas Osborne up to the time of his death which happened in the year 1809. Deponent knows the widow of the said Thomas Osborne, and that she has continued unmarried since his death to the present time.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 23rd September 1839

S/ Rob Elfe, JQ

S/ Joseph Righton

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$480 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending October 29, 1844 the service of her husband as a Captain in the South Carolina militia.]