

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hambright W932

Nancy Hambright f48NC

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State of Tennessee McMinn County

On this 11th day of April 1840 before the Subscriber a Justice of the peace personally appeared Nancy Hambright a resident of the State of Tennessee in the County of McMinn aged seventy-seven years who being 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 that she is the widow of John Hambright who was a Captain in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary war that the said John Hambright was a Captain to my personal knowledge and served in a Regiment raised in Lincorn [Lincoln] County North Carolina which was commanded by Colonel Grimes [sic, Col. William Graham]<sup>1</sup> Colonel commandant Frederick Hambright Lieutenant Colonel [affiant's father-in-law] he commanded a company of Light horse and was a volunteer he was elected Captain before he was eighteen years old and continued to serve until the war ended declarant often saw Captain Hambright and his Company he was in the Battle of Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] [indecipherable word or words, it may be an aborted attempt to refer to "deceased" but the actual letters appear to be "dectos"] was on the battleground the next day after the Battle declarant knows of her own knowledge that he served two years and has often heard Captain Hambright say that he served three years as a Captain but declarant does not know of her own knowledge he served more than two years neither does declarant know how many engagements he was under but knows he remained in service until the war was over declarant has some documents in support of her claim which will be sent to the Department declarant has a family record showing the true ages and marriage of herself and John Hambright Deceased which was left in her possession at the Decease of John Hambright and was written by Joseph Wilson at the request of John Hambright her husband the other scraps is papers that has been in my possession ever since his death and that he resided in Lincorn County North Carolina when you served in the United States Army declarant further say that she was married in South Carolina York District by what was called proclamation without any License declarant does not know whether there was any record made of it or not or what the law was about it she further Declares that she was married to the said Captain John Hambright on the 28th day of October 1784 and that her husband the aforesaid John Hambright died on the 6th day of February 1830

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<sup>1</sup> Thanks to Neil Vance for this correction and the note that Capt. John Hambright was Lt. Col. Frederick Hambright's son.

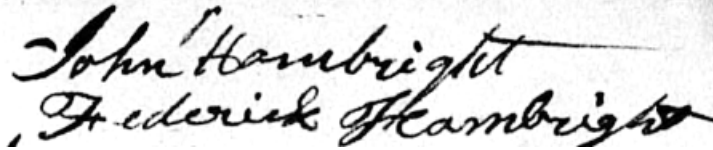
that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz. at the time above (mentioned written) stated.

Sworn and subscribed on the day above written before me

S/ William Rogers, JP

S/ Nancy Hambright, X her mark

[p 5: John Hambright and Frederick Hambright gave a supporting affidavit as to the facts set forth in the widow's application. They also authenticated the family record included with the widow's application. Their relationship, if any, to the widow is not stated.



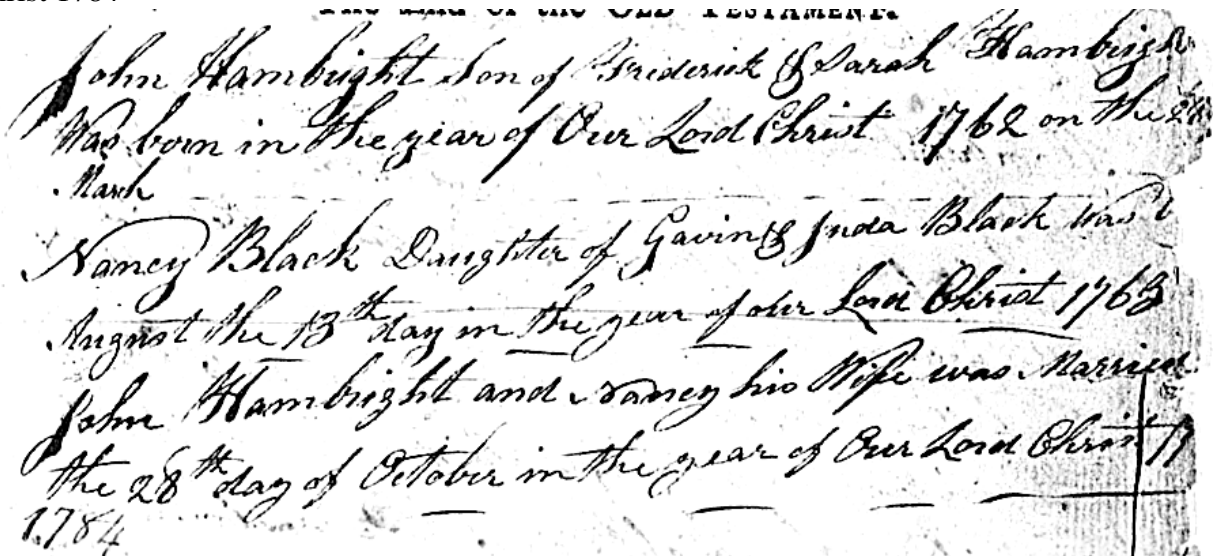
John Hambright  
Frederick Hambright

[pp 9-11: family record]

John Hambright son of Frederick & Sarah Hambright was born in the year of our Lord Christ 1762 on the 28th March

Nancy Black daughter of Gavin & Juda Black was born August the 13th day in the year of our Lord Christ 1763

John Hambright and Nancy his Wife was married the 28th day of October in the year of our Lord Christ 1784



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[paper torn]deric Hambright son of John & Nancy Hambright was born July the 22nd day and in the year of our Lord 1785

Janey Hambright Ditto was born the 7th day of May and in the year of our Lord Christ 1787

Gavin Black & Sarah Hardin Twins Ditto was born the 29th day of March A.D. 1789

Elizabeth Hambright Ditto Ditto was born in March the 6th day & in the year of our Lord and Savior 1791

[paper torn]jamin Hambright Son of Ditto Ditto was born the 2nd day of March in the year of our Lord 1793

Mary Hambright Daughter of Ditto was born on the [paper torn] day of May in the year of our Lord Christ 1795

John Hambright son of Ditto was born the \_\_\_ February in the year of our Lord and Savior 1798  
[paper torn]uno[?] Black Hambright son of Ditto was born the said 3rd day of July and in the  
year of our Lord Christ 1800

Calvin [or Gavin] Robison Hambright son of ditto was born the [written over and obliterated,  
could be "23"] day of September in the year of our Lord 1802

[paper torn]cky Hambright son of Ditto was born the 10th day of July and in the year of our Lord  
Christ 1805

Amos Hambright was born the 8th day of August on Monday in the year of our Lord [paper torn,  
text missing]

A handwritten record of births in the Hambright family, written in cursive on aged paper. The entries are as follows:

- Marie Hambright daughter of John G. Sancy Hambright was born July the 2<sup>nd</sup> day and in the year of our Lord 1783
- Janey Hambright Ditto was born the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May and in the year of our Lord Christ. 1787
- William Black & Sarah Hardin Thins Ditto was born the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March Anno Domini 1789
- Elizabeth Hambright Ditto Ditto was born in March the 5<sup>th</sup> day in the year of our Lord and Savior 1791
- Samuel Hambright son of Ditto Ditto was born the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord 1793
- Mary Hambright daughter of Ditto was born on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May and in the year of our Lord Christ 1795
- John Hambright son of Ditto was born the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord and Savior 1798
- Amos Black Hambright son of Ditto was born the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July and in the year of our Lord Christ 1800
- Calvin Robison Hambright son of Ditto was born the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord 1802
- John Hambright son of Ditto was born the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July and in the year of our Lord Christ 1805
- Amos Hambright was born on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August on Monday in the year of our Lord

John Hambright Senior Deceased the 6th day of February 1830 in the 68th year of his age

John Hambright res. Secas, the 6<sup>th</sup> day Feb 1780  
in the 68<sup>th</sup> year of his age

[p 15: the following appears in this file but it is not clear why:

"Ruff, late a Surgeon in the US Navy, died in October last. There is no act under which his widow or children, can received any pension or half pay. He Act of the 16th of August last repealed that part of the Act of the 3rd of March 1837, which gave pensions to the widows and children of Naval officers who died in the service.

I have the honor to be" [paper torn and the rest of the text is missing]]

[p 18]

Lincoln County October the 10 1784  
Received from Capt John Hambright  
My Pay for three Month tower of Light horse  
I Say Recived by me  
James Wells

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[p 20: two receipts for pay for three months service in the Light Horse in 1781 paid by Capt. John Hambright to Thomas Millican and Robert Millican]

Lincoln County January the first 1785  
Received from Capt John Hambright my Pay  
for three month tower of Light horse  
Pay Recived by me Thomas Millican

Lincoln County January the first 1785  
Received from Capt John Hambright  
my Pay for three month tower of Light  
men under his Comman in the year 1781  
Recived Per me Robert Millican

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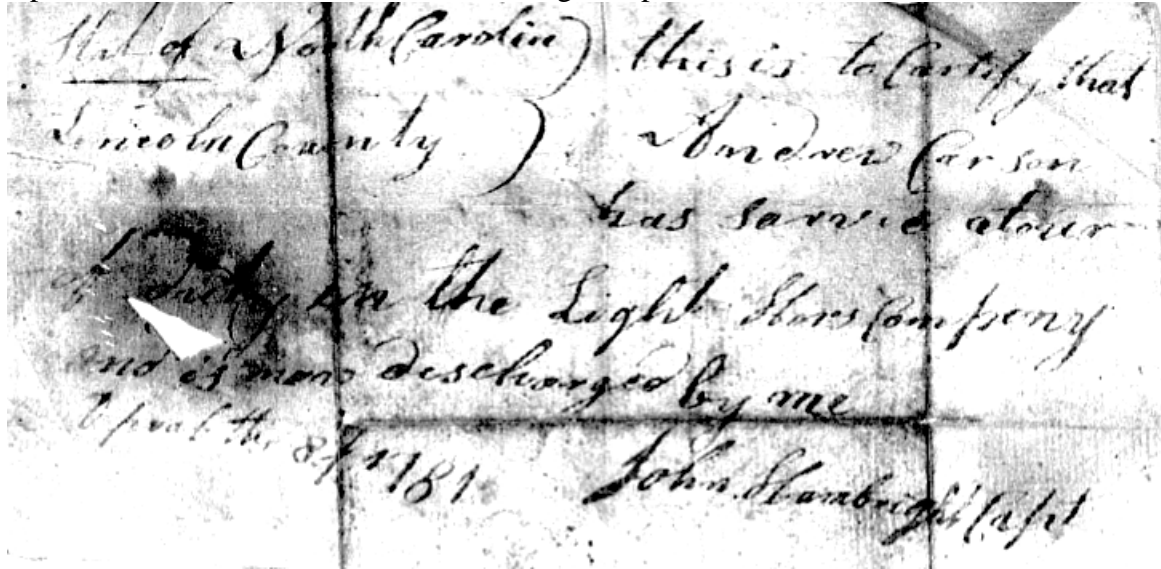
Stat of North Carolin  
Lincoln County

this is to Cartify that  
Andrew Carson  
has sarved a tour

of Duty in the Light Hors Company  
and is now discharged by me

Apral the 8 1781

John Hambright Capt



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Apral the 8 1781  
John Hambright Capt

reverse

I do Assign over my Right  
and Title of this Discharge  
to Joseph Rankin

August the 27

Andrew Carson, X his mark

[p 23]

On or Before the twenty fourth day of May  
Mr John Hambrt byslesed for to pay James Henderson  
my weages for a three month tower In the Serace of this State  
for I have Received full value from him for the Same  
and this Shall be your Soficent discharge from  
your frind and vey humble Servant as witness my hand this  
twentieth sixth day of Agust yr 1783

David Elliott

Certified the twenty fourth day of  
Mr John Hambricht bepleas'd for to pay James Henderson  
my wages for a three month term in the Service of this State  
for I have Received full value from him for the same  
and this shall be your sufficient Dis Charge from  
your friends and very humbel Servant as witness my hand this  
twentieth Sixty day of August yr 1783  
D/ David Elliott

[p 42]

State of South Carolina York District: This day personally appeared before me Abraham Hardin Justice of the Quorum for said District John Harmon aged 78 years and after being duly sworn according to law depose and saith that he was personally acquainted with Captain John Hambricht and his widow Nancy Hambricht his widow and further saith that he was personally acquainted with the Revolutionary Services of said Hambricht from old age and consequent loss of memory I cannot tell the precise time he entered the Service but know that it was in the fall of 1779 Said Hambricht was elected a Captain for a term of twelve months Said John Hambricht was a volunteer and commanded a Company of what was called Light horse after serving the full term of twelve months in which time he generally [was] Scouting through South and North Carolina and was in the battle of Kings Mountain said Hambricht again was elected a Captain for three months which term I served under his command while General Morgan was at the Cowpens said Hambricht marched to join him but by the time that we reached Broad River at the Shallow Ford we heard that General Morgan had defeated Colonel Talton [Banastre Tarleton], General Morgan retreated towards the Catawba River Lord Cornwallis pursued him Captain Hambricht and his company fell in the rear of Cornwallis's Army and followed him to the Yadkin River and took some prisoners after serving the full term of three months the said Hambricht was again elected a Captain of a company of Light horse whose business it was to keep the Tories from killing and robbing and was to continue till the Country was at peace which kept him very busy Deponent cannot recollect the length that he served in the war but knows that from a personal knowledge he served at the least two full years as a Captain in the service of the United States.

Sworn and subscribed the 23rd day of January 1841 before me

S/ Abraham Hardin, JQ

S/ John Harmon

John Harmon

State of South Carolina York District: This day personally appeared before me Abraham Hardin an acting Justice of the quorum for said District Frederick Hambright aged 75 years and after being duly sworn according to law Deposeth and saith that he was personally acquainted with Captain John Hambright and his widow Nancy Hambright and further saith that they were legally married in the State of South Carolina in the fall of 1784 agreeable to the laws of said State and further saith that he was personally acquainted with said John Hambright in the Revolution war he was elected a Captain of a volunteer Company of Light horse in the fall of 1779 for a twelve months [tour] the reason I know it was the fall of 1779 that he was not been eighteen years old in said service he commanded his Company in the battle of Kings Mountain the Company was raised in Lincoln County North Carolina Said John Hambright again was elected a Captain Deponent cannot recollect the precise length of his services but from a personal knowledge he served as Captain more than 2 years in the service of the United States.

Sworn and subscribed this 23rd day of January 1841 before me  
S/ Abraham Hardin, JQ

S/ Fredk Hamb

23<sup>rd</sup> 1841  
*Frederick Hambright*

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State of South Carolina York District This day personally appeared before me Hugh Ellison [sic] an acting Captain justice of the peace for said District John Mcelwee aged 76 years after being duly Sworn according to Law deposeth and saith that he was personally acquainted with Captain John Hambright and Nancy Black which is now his widow and that the above mentioned John and Nancy were married in the year 1784 Deponent being present at the marriage.

Sworn and subscribed the 26th day of January 1841

S/ H. Allison, QU

S/ John Mcelwee

26<sup>th</sup>  
*John Mcelwee*

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$450 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843, for her husband's service as a Captain of Cavalry for 18 months in the North Carolina militia.]