Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

A Return of Camden [North Carolina] Regiment of Militia in Divisions agreeable to Law made 12th March 1779 –by order of Col. Isaac Gregory Commanding officer thereof

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With a special "thank you" to Sharon Gable who corrected many of my misinterpretations of men's names listed on this roster [Note: Abbreviated names have been expanded for purposes of searching the roster]

1	1 3		7	
Capt. John Berry's Company	Capt Cornelius Gray's Compy	Capt. John Forbes's	Capt. Thomas Lurry Compy	
		Comy		
Willis Gregory, Lieut.	Joseph Gray Lieut.	Abel Ross Lieut.	Elisha McBride Lieut.	
Thomas Mercer Ensign	Solomon Grandy Ensn	Malachi Coats Ensign	David Burnham Ensign	
Joseph Pell Sergeant	Malla Grandy [Malachi Grandy] Sargt.	Lodowick Griffin Sergt.	Leven Roads [Levin Rhodes] Sergt.	
Asael Gregory Sergeant	Lemuel Gray Sargt.	John Burkett Sergt.	Thomas Roads [Thomas Rhodes] Sergt.	
Cornelius Gale Corporal	Christopher Skillen [Christopher Skelton?] Corpl.	Adam Humphries Corpl.	Joel Taylor Corpl.	
William Forbes Corporal	Willis Upton Corpl.	John Wright Harrison Corpl.	John Abbott Corpl.	
Joseph Havard Drumr.	Drummer	Samuel Barnard	Jeremiah Chambers [damaged text]	
		Drummer	[Jeremiah Chamberlin] D. [Drummer]	
Evin Standby fifer	John Gray fifer	fifer	Edward Spencer fifer	
first Division	1 st Division	1 st Division	1 st Division	
1. Joshua Mercer	1. Lewis Sawyer	Thomas Burges	James Ivey	
2. William Snow	2. John Perkins	Sampson Garret	James Ferrell	
3. David Gregory	3. Tull Sawyer	Asa Perkins	David Roads [David Rhodes]	
4. Jacob Sanderbrey	4. David Godfrey	Cable Forbes	William Riggs	
5. John Wilkins	5. Job Sawyer	Robert Gallop	Noah Spence	
6. John Garrot [John Garret?]	6 William Jones	Evin Barco	Ezekiel Case	
		Thomas Squires	John Cooke	
		John Gallop	Demsey Spencer [Dempsey Spencer]	

		Joseph Torksey	James Spencer
		10. Adam Seamore	Thomas Deal [Thomas Deale] ¹
		[Adam Seymour?]	
			John Sanders
			12. Robert Edney ²
Second Division	2 nd	2 nd	2 nd
7. Nathan Gregory	7. Joseph Mercer	Edward Barnard	Obadiah Rich
8. Joseph Sanderlin	8. James Willesey [Wilroy or	Nathaniel Torksey	Samuel Spence
	Willeroy is a Camden surname]		
9. John Mercer	9. Seth Savels	Thomas Williams	Caleb Nickols
10. William Mercer	10. William Burges	Willis Dauge	Malla. Bright [Malachi Bright]
11. Elisher Williams [Elisha	11. Luke Forbes	Jacob Cartwright	Claudius Morgan
Williams?]			
12. James Sanderlin	12. Christopher Snaile [Christopher Snail] ³	Adam Forbes	James Scarfe
13. Peter Mercer	13. Coston Sawyer	Zechariah Kite	Cornelius Roads [Cornelius Rhodes] ⁴
		Caleb Barnard	John Jones
		9. Luke Forbes	Will Roads William Rhodes]
			Elijah Overton
			John Taylor
			12. Jonathan Herring
14-3 rd Division	3 rd	3 rd	[3 rd]
15.John Snow	14.Thomas Grandy	Elijah Hughs	Thomas Overton
16. Abner Gregory	15. William Love	Caleb Torksey	Samuel Roads [Samuel Rhodes]
17. Jacob Garrot [Jacob	16. Benjamin Phillips	Christopher Bray	Jo. Abbott ⁵
Garret?]			
18. Thomas Garrot [Thomas	17. Frank Isbell [?] ⁶	Asa Williams	William Sawyer

Thomas Deale R2797
Robert Edney R3249
Christopher Snail S31383
Cornelius Rhodes S7387
Sharon Gable notes that there were men by the name of John Abbott and Joseph Abbott living in Camden County at this time.

Garret?]					
19. Bennet Chellem	18. James Sanderlin	John Scarbro [John Scarborough]	Darius Brite [Darius Bright]		
20. Sampson Gregory	19. Arthur Gregory	Job Godfrey	Jabez Cartwright		
20.[sic] William Nevill [William Neville]	20. William Evans	Jesse Latchum	Mack Perkins		
		Zacheus Gallop	William Linton		
		9. John Griffin	Jesse Winberry		
			John Jones		
			Pharoah Sawyer [Pharaoh Sawyer]		
			12. Benjamin Jones		
4 th Division	4 th	4 th	[4 th]		
21 William Garrot [William Garret?]	21 Jacob Sawyer	Daniel Brown	James Jones		
22. Isaac Seabern	22. Daniel Phillips	Phillip Torksey	Gabriel Burnham		
23. Joseph Gregory	23. Willis Etheridge	John Morsett [John Morrisett?]	Caleb Coxe [Caleb Cox] ⁷		
24. Bawley Benton [Bawley Beasley?] ⁸	24. William Snoden [William Snowden]	John Hewes	Noah Riggs		
25. John Gregory	25. Lemuel Hanberry	Thomas Willoby [Thomas Willoughby?]	William Scarbor [William Scarborough]		
26. Caleb Gregory	26 Demsey Sawyer [Dempsey Sawyer]	John Burges	John Deal		
	27. Jesse Torksey	Thomas Upton	Isaac Cartwright		
		Mark Gallop	Joshua Sawyer		
		John Ford	Charles Herring		
		10. John Poyner	Timothy Jones		

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⁷ Caleb Cox S30950

8 Sharon Gable suggests this man is most likely Bawley Beasley

			12. Jos. Campbell ⁹	
5 th Division	5 th	5 th	[5 th]	
Coye Mercer	28. James Duke	Peter Brown	Newton Edney	
Samuel Cooper	29. Edmund Sawyer	Moses Forbes	Benjamin Snoden [Benjamin	
			Snowden]	
29. Zebulon Kemp	30. Uriah Williams	Joshua Gallop	James Halley	
30. Peter Morriset [Peter		Robert Torksey	Greaves Spence	
Morrisett]				
31. Joseph Morriset [Joseph		Jacob Godfrey	David Spence	
Morrisett]				
[32.] Lemuel Wilson		James Sanderlin	James Pritchard	
[33.] Thomas Sanderlin		Willis Brown	Richard Deal	
[34.] John Lauginghouse		John Torksey	Malla. Spence [Malachi Spence]	
[John Laughinghouse]		-		
[35] Jonathan Whiteham		Jeremiah Gallop	James Brite [James Bright]	
[36] William Gregory		10. John Dunkan [John	Willis Kite	
		Duncan]		
			11. Jacob Burnham	
[45 total in this company]	[38]	48	59	

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Capt. Jacob Taylor's Comp ^y	Capt. Henry Forbes's Comp ^y	Capt. Charles Grandy's	Capt. Silvanus Sawyer's Comp ^y	
		Comp ^y		
Willis Brite [Willis Bright] Lieut.	William Wright Lieut.	Lolley Nash Lieut.	Caleb Grandy Lieut.	
Macabecias Taylor [Maccabeus	Isaac Cartwright Ens.	John Peddreck Ens.	Ammon Grandy Ens.	
Taylor] Ensign				
Daniel Mcferson [Daniel	John Griffin Sergt	William Barco Sergt. Noah Grandy Sergt.		
McPherson] Sergeant				
Frances Overton Corporal	Caleb Cartwright Sergt.	James Savels Sergt.	Asa Morgan Sergt.	
James Keetor [James Keator]	Augustin Wright Corp.	Shaffen Gerrell Corp.	John Dauge Corp.	

⁹ Sharon Gable suggests this is probably Joshua Campbell who is known to have been living in Camden County at this time.
¹⁰ Willis Bright (Brite) S41459

Corporal				
Jeremiah Brite [Jeremiah Bright] D.	Isaac Harrison Corp	William Gerrell Corp.	Caleb Dauge Corp.	
[Drummer]				
John White Fifer	Clement Cartwright D.	Major Gerrell D.	Thomas Sawyer D. [Drummer]	
	[drummer]	[Drummer]		
	Jesse Beels fifer	John Kite fifer	Joseph William Fifer	
1 st Division	1 st Division	1 st Division	1 st Division	
Nathaniel Cane	Asa Beels	John Jones	John Sawyer	
Jethro Overton	Barnaba Wright	Joshua Forbes	Absalom Sawyer	
Lazarus Overton	William Mercer	Aaron Forbes	David Sawyer	
Joshua Overton	Timothy Gray	Eham Forbes ¹¹	Simon Sawyer	
Jesse McFerson [Jesse McPherson]	Emanuel Brown	James White	Caleb Sawyer	
William Taylor	Joshua Gray	6. Abel Gallop	James Williams	
James Jones	James Cartwright		Benjamin Terrell	
David Pritchard	8. William Mitchell		8. Patrick Kelly	
Joseph Mcferson [Joseph				
McPherson]				
Henry Chamberlin				
Gresham Overton				
12. Robert Overton				
[2 nd Division]	[2 nd Division]	[2 nd Division]	[2 nd Division]	
William Brite [William Bright]	Gideon Needham	Cornelius Jones	Evin Sawyer	
Joseph Overton	Josiah Curling	David Dunkin [David	Thomas Spence	
		Duncan]		
Samuel Brite [Samuel Bright]	John Burras	Willis Wilson	Josiah Bell	
Henry Brite [Henry Bright]	Joseph Godfrey	Jacob Forbes	Job Sawyer	
Stephan Richardson	John Murrell	Joseph Snoden [Joseph	Richard Sawyer	
		Snowden]		
Willis Brite [Willis Bright]	Joshua Godfrey	6. Benjamin Gilbert	Alexander Williams	
Edward Williams	Jacob Godfrey		Jonathan Humphries	
Jos. ^a Jones [Joshua Jones]	8. Micajah Beels		Joseph Richardson	
William Swann			Shadrach Sawyer	

¹¹ Sharon Gamble points out this man's name is listed as "Eliab Forbes" in the 1782 and 1790 Camden County tax lists.

James McFerson [James McPherson]			10. Davis Grandy
Demsey Overton [Dempsey			
Overton]			
Benjamin Overton			
Paul Etheridge			
Willis Chamberlin			
15. Jehovah Overton			
[3 rd Division]	[3 rd Division]	[3 rd Division]	[3 rd Division]
Charles Brite [Charles Bright]	Benjamin Seamore [Benjamin Seymour?]	Joshua White	Lodowick Williams
Edward Jones	Francis Forster	Henry Millar	William McCoye
Robert Cartwright	Joseph Mitchell	Cornelius White	Phillip Morgan
Solomon Rato [sic, Solomon Keetor]	John Morrisett	Robert Williams	Jabez Sawyer
Daniel McCoye	Lemuel Godfrey	John Gilbert	Demsey Etheridge [Dempsey Etheridge]
Stephen Mcferson [Stephen McPharson]	Nathan Bell	6. Richard Collins	Lemuel Spence
Charles Whitehurst	Peter Harrison		Benjamin Brown
Samuel Smith	8. William Harrison		Elijah Sawyer
Morgan Cartwright			James Sexton
John Keets [John Keetor]			Robert Bell
William Whitehurst			Demsey Spence [Dempsey Spence]
Thomas Linton ¹²			12. David Etheridge
John Chamberlin			
14. Hugh Pritchard			
[4 th Division]	[4 th Division]	[4 th Division]	[4 th Division]
John Mcferson [John McPherson]	Evin Lurry	John Williams	Mark Morgan
Nathan Brite [Nathan Bright]	Francis Forster	Isaac Garrott [Isaac Garrett]	John Lambert
Abner Jones	Hezekiah Burges	Thomas Forbes	Thomas Vardon

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¹² Thomas Linton S7152

William Coye	Peter Seymore [Peter Seymour]	John Sikes	Samuel Forrell	
Ely Overton [Eli Overton] ¹³	Stephen Mercer	John Godfrey	Ezekiel Sanderlin	
Joshua Coye	6. Thomas Needham	Henry Bray	John Jones	
Hosea Jones		7. Thomas Mayhue	Jeremiah Sawyer	
Solomon Jones			Mark Dauge	
Aaron Brite [Aaron Bright]			Lodowick Williams	
James Coye			Thomas Sawyer	
Joshua Mcferson [Joshua			Devotion Hastins	
McPherson]				
John McCoye			12. Henry Sawyer	
Josiah McCoye				
Caleb McCoye				
15. Malla. Robertson [Malachi				
Robertson]				
[5 th Division]	[5 th Division]	[5 th Division]	[5 th Division]	
Aaron Brite [Aaron Bright]	Asa Cartwright	James Willson Coats	Richard Gregory	
William Taylor	aylor Caleb Harrison		Jonathan Harrinton [Jonathan	
·			Harrington]	
Samuel Creech	James Mercer	Lathrop Jones	Asa Sawyer	
Gabriel Taylor	Joseph Needham	Jacob Forbes	Trusman Sawyer	
Willis White	Isaac Cartwright	Robert Sanderlin	Iznut Sawyer	
Francis Davis	Joshua Canady	Adran Barco [Adrian	Elisha Sawyer	
		Barco]		
Isaac Lenton	Robert Burfoot	Elias White	Daniel Sawyer	
8. Joshua Overton	John Cartwright	8. John Smith	Benjamin Sawyer	
	Joshua Cartwright		John Empson [John Emperson]	
	William Cartwright		Demsey Nash [Dempsey Nash]	
	Thomas Torksey		12. Joseph Loyd	
	Isaac Guilford			
13. Thomas Wilson				
64	43	33	54	

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¹³ Eli Overton W5458

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Captain John Forbes from Infirmity & age resigned 15th of March [1779] – after the Draught

Court Martial Recommended his Lieut. Abel Ross to Take his place, Mallachi Coats [Malachi Coats] Ensign to take Ross's—leaving [?] Zephaniah Burges to be Ensign

Lieut. Maccabeus Taylor of Captain Jacob Taylor's Company resigned Same Day – from Infirmity, Stephen Mcferson [Stephen McPherson] recommended in his Stead

Lieut. Cornelius Wright of Captain Henry Forbes's Company resigned on acct. of being Balloted in the Continental Service - Isaac Cartwright recommended in his Stead

The Camden Regiment of Militia Divided into 8 Companies							
viz.	Berry 36	Sawye	er 54	Gray	30	H. Fo	rbes 43
	Grandy 33	J. Forl	oes 48	Lurry	59	J. Tay	lor 64
	29		69	-	171		<u>260</u>
Consis	t of 29 Commi	ssioned	l & 44 ľ	Non cor	nm'd of	ficers &	£ 367
Private	es of which are	Invalid	s &				<u>75</u>
							292
gone in	n the 1 st Division	on or m	en for t	hem			63
							229
					presen	t are	24
					•		205
	Officers Calle	d out			2 Capt	tain	
					1 Lieu	ıt.	
					1 Ensi	gn	
	Comm	'd	4		2 Serg	eants	
					2 Corp	orals	
					1 Drui	mmer	
		Non		6	1 fifer		
					20		

The above is with the Preceding List Extracts Taken from the Court Martial Books –Dated 15th March 1779 Pro Enoch Sawyer M. C.?

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P Demsey Burges