Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Reuben Weed R11274
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State of South Carolina Abbeville District: SS

On the 7th October in the year of our Lord 1839 personally appeared in open Court at the Court of Ordinary it being a court of record having a seal and keeping a regular record of its proceedings now sitting at Abbeville Courthouse before Moses Taggart Esquire Judge and Register of the said Court of Ordinary for the district aforesaid Reuben Weed a resident of the district and State aforesaid aged seventy-four 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 June the 7th 1832 --

That he entered the service of the State as a volunteer in February in the year of our Lord 1782 under Captain Joseph Calhoun and served as a regular militia soldier in the capacity of a private, until near Christmas, that he was stationed at the Blockhouse in the district of Ninety Six, in the said State, near to the present site of Abbeville Court house, that he remained in the said Blockhouse in service, as a private soldier, under the command of the said Captain Calhoun not less than nine months. That Major Noble and Major Hamilton, Colonel Anderson and General Pickens were the general officers.

That his Father Reuben Weed served as aide to General Pickens in the revolutionary war.

That he was born in the Highlands in New York within five miles of Newberg, left there with his Father in the year of our Lord 1774 and removed to the State of South Carolina and settled in the District of Ninety Six (that part of it now Abbeville district): That he has no living witness of his service except his brother Andrew.²

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of the State of South Carolina or any other State.

That he has no record of his age.

Thinks that he received a discharge signed by Captain Joseph Calhoun but has lost it. That he has lived in Abbeville District ever since the revolutionary war, except about 5 years that

¹ The number of the images contained in the Footnote.com file are nonsensical and not sequential.

² This is PROBABLY the same veteran whose widow filed for her bounty land entitlement **Andrew Weed BLWt80034-160-55**

he lived in Georgia.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Moses Taggart, Judge

S/ Rubⁿ Weed, Senior

I Andrew Weed, brother of Reuben Weed Senior of the district & State aforesaid do hereby certify that I know that my brother was in the service of the Revolutionary War -- that he the said Reuben Weed was at the Blockhouse near to where Abbeville Court House is situated -- but how long he was there or served I cannot now recollect -- I was actively engaged in the war myself and was but little with him war at the Block house; but when I was there I saw him there.

Before me this 7th October 1839

S/ Moses Taggart

S/ Andrew Weed

[James M. Chiles, a clergyman, and J. Bradley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 556]

State of South Carolina Abbeville District

On this 4th day of May 1840, personally appeared in the Court of Ordinary, for the district aforesaid, Moses Taggart Judge of the said Court, Reuben Weed, who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following additional declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832; To wit; That he has not applied earlier for the benefit of the said act because he has heretofore been in a situation, to live comfortably without it, and that he was reticent and did not intend to apply for a pension at all; but that his circumstances have lately been changed, that a blemish has recently come over his eyes, which has unfitted him for teaching school, which has been his employment lately, and that his incapacities now compelled him to do that, which he did not intend to have done: That since making his declaration in chief, he has found, among some old papers, his discharge, signed by Joseph Calhoun his Captain, and dated November 30th 1782, which is hereunto annexed

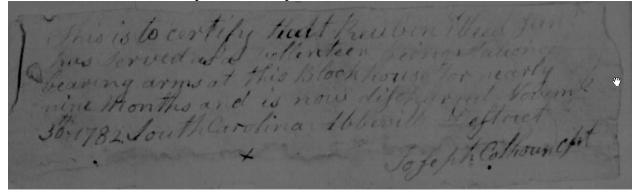
Sworn to this 4th May 1840 before me.

S/ Rubⁿ Weed Senr.

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"This is to certify that Reuben Weed Jun has served as a Vollenteer bring stationed bearing arms at this Blockhouse for nearly nine Months and is now discharged Novemb 30th 1782 South Carolina Abbeville Destrict

S/ Joseph Colhoun Cpt"



[fn p. 605: Certificate dated October 12, 1852 from the South Carolina Comptroller general in Columbia South Carolina showing payments made to Reuben Weed for militia service as a private in 1780 & 1781.]

[fn p. 478: affidavit dated November 9, 1853 of John McBride, 81 or 82, a resident of Abbeville district, South Carolina states that he came into the neighborhood of the Long Cane Creek about 60 years ago and became acquainted with Reuben, Andrew and Nathaniel Weed, three brothers who attended the same church with deponent; that Andrew and Reuben enjoyed the reputation of having been revolutionary war soldiers who along with George Cresnell, James Shanks and Alexander Patterson of the same neighborhood enjoyed the reputation as being revolutionary soldiers. That Reuben and Andrew Weed were men whose testimony is entitled to credit.]

[fn p. 494: on November 9, 1853 in Abbeville district, John Bradley, 68, gave testimony that at the age of 18 he mustered in the militia unit commanded by major Andrew Weed in Abbeville district and that Andrew, and his brother's Reuben and Nathaniel Weed all enjoyed the undisputed reputation from deponent's earliest recollection of having been Weed soldiers during the revolutionary war.]

[fn p. 21: power of attorney dated June 7th, 1852 given by Andrew J. Weed, son of Reuben Weed a soldier of the revolution who died June 30, 1845. The power of attorney was given in Abbeville district South Carolina.]

[fn p. 66: finding by the clerk of court for Abbeville district South Carolina that Andrew J. Weed is the administrator of the estate of Reuben Weed who died June 30, 1845 survived only by his children Andrew J., John and James Weed.]