Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Wickly (Wickley) S39132 Transcribed by Will Graves f9SC 5/28/10: rev'd 5/11/20

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S.C. Wickly, John

S39132 BLWt2452-300 Capt. Issued Jan. 28, 1795 to Wm. Cramond, John Leamy & Hugh Holmes, Executor of David Cay, deceased Assignee No papers

Name spelled Wickley

Charleston 31st May 1819

State of South Carolina

I do hereby Certify that I knew you Capt. John Wickly of the United States Revolutionary Army. That he held his Commission previous to the year 1779 in the Regiment of Artillery of this State Commanded by Colonel Owen Roberts and continued in the service to the termination of the war. –

S/ Daniel D'Oyley

late Lieutenant 1st Regt. So. Ca. line¹

I certify that Captain Wickly was in the Artillery Regiment to the close of the Revolutionary War.

S/ Simeon Theus²

late Capt. 1st Regt. S. Carolina line

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² Simeon Theus BLWt2227-300

¹ Daniel Doyley (Doyle) BLWt617-200 issued Apr. 14, 1794 to Standish Forde, assignee, no papers

I do hereby certify that I knew you Captain John Wickly when a Captain in the 4th or Regiment of Artillery in the South Carolina line on the Continental establishment & I believe he continued to the end of the War, but being separated at the close, can certify no further. Charleston 1 June 1819 –

S/ Saml. Warren,³ Capt. in the late War



5th Regt. So. Ca. line, Continental Establishment

Charleston South Carolina June 2nd 1819

I do certify that Captain John Wickly is enrolled as one of the original Members of the Cincinnati in the State of South Carolina. It is necessary to add the following explanation, that it may be understood how far Captain Wickly is entitled to the bounty of Government. "All the Officers of the American Army as well those who have resigned with honor, after 3 years Service in the capacity of Officers, or who have been deranged by the resolutions of Congress, upon the general reforms of the Army, as those who have continued to the end of the War, have the right to become parties to this Institution; provided they subscribe one months pay, & signed the names to the General Rules &c. "

S/ James B. Tinley, formerly Surgeon of

Lamy & Brade

a Regiment in the Mass. Line of the Cont. Army

& Secretary at present of the Society of the Cincinnati in South Carolina

Columbia 26 Apl. 1818

Dear Sir../

I received your letter by Judge Colcock & was really pleased to find that you were still in the land of the living, & enjoying as good health as you could expect at your great age. May the Father of all mercies still preserve you to enjoy this very late bounty of our Country. Little my old Friend does the present race feel or understand the privations, the difficulties, & the dangers through which we waded during the Revolutionary storm. We have however the superlative satisfaction, lying within our own breasts, of knowing, how faithfully we performed our Duty.

I do not imagine that the loss of your commission is of any consequence, as your name is recorded in the Secretary of War's office as one of the old Continental Officers; & I imagine all that He will consider as necessary to extend the order to you is, to satisfy him that you are in being & desirous of receiving the pay allotted. I have not seen the act & therefore cannot really say what kind of Certificate will be proper or necessary. I shall however endeavor to get a copy of the act, & write to the Secretary at War if necessary in behalf of yourself, Major Moore & Captain Lieutenant Tate – two or three or four old Soldiers, whom I occasionally meet on my

³ Samuel Warren BLWt1859-300

Circuits & which I have reason to believe are the only remnants of a Corps once the pride of South Carolina. In the meantime however you had better not delay your personal application, which may perhaps answer the purpose as well & your immediate exigencies

I am, Dr. Captain [paper torn and text missing] you [entire right margin of the letter has been torn off so the remaining transcription is line for line]

affectionate Brother S/ Jf Grim [John F. Grimke]⁴

since writing the above I have seen the act, & you to make the affidavit before anyone of the Ju [judges?] You can do before Judge Colcock who is in your bourhood [neighborhood] –

you must mention in yo [your aff.?] davit [affidavit] what rank you bore & in what Regiment you [served ?] how long, & when you entered the service. — & That [you?] need the assistance of your Country for your suppo [support?] I think you must swear also to the loss of your C[Commission?] sion [commission] —

Captain John Wickly [sic] of the former Regiment of Arti [artillery] during the Revolutionary war.

Beaufort District Prince Williams Parish

Personally appeared before me Captain John Wickly who being duly sworn deposeth That he entered into the Service of his Country in the year 1776 and that he continued in the service until the war ended. That he was at first appointed a Lieutenant and afterwards in the year 17_at the battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] he was promoted to the rank of Captain that he served at Beaufort under Captain Harden and afterwards under Colonel Roberts until his fell at Stono and then under Beeckman [sic, Bernard Beekman⁵] who succeeded Roberts. That he is now upwards of 76 years old and is incapable of procuring a livelihood and is not possessed of any property whatever and his commission is lost.

Sworn to before me this first day of June 1818

S/ Jno. Wickly

S/ C. J. Colcock, one of the Associate Justices of the State of South Carolina

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing June 1, 1818, for four years service as a Captain in the South Carolina Continental line during the revolution.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁶ relating to John Wickley AA12

⁴ John Faucheraud Grimke W11088

⁵ Bernard Beekman BLWt301-500

⁶ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/. To find the AA for

[Note: Most of the documents in this file relate to 2 claims on behalf of the estate of John Weekly and do not relate to Captain John Wickley]

[p 2: Printed form of Indent No. 225 Book C dated March 13th, 1784 "delivered to Captain John Wickly [sic] of Artillery this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Nine hundred and forty pounds four Shillings Sterling for his Pay and Subsistence to the 1st of January 1782 and for his Additional State pay to the 1st of May 1783 per Certificate from the Auditor General.]

[p 3]
Coleman & Ogier
for
Capt. John Wickley

Received full Payment in discounts of my Bond to the Commissioners Confiscated Estates Charleston 26 March 1784

S/ Cha Young