

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Drury Hearn W3548

Keren (Karen)

fn49NC

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State of South Carolina Edgefield District

On this __day of November in the year of our Lord 1832 Personally appeared in open court before may Richard Gantt one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the said State now sitting in and for the District aforesaid Drury Hearn a resident of the District and State aforesaid aged seventy-seven years and two months who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States the 15th of May 1776 as a private commanded by Captain James Emmitt of the North Carolina line which said company was attached to the 3rd Regiment commanded by Colonel Jethro Sumner of which Brigadier General Francis Nash was commander. That this deponent was in the battle at Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth Court House, and afterwards in the Siege at Charleston South Carolina and was discharged the 10th of November 1778, making in all two years and six months actual service. After the battle of Monmouth he marched through New York into Connecticut thence to Fredericksburg then engaged in the militia under the command of Nat. Christmas was taken prisoner at the Siege of Charleston and was paroled –

This deponent has lost his original discharge is but he produces the certificate of William Hill Secretary of State of North Carolina stating that he served as a regular soldier in the 3rd Regiment of the North Carolina line & received his discharge. He knows of no surviving witness who can corroborate his statement of his services. This deponent hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to in open Court

S/ J. Richardson, CCP

S/ Drury Hearn

[Harwood Burt, a clergyman, David Richardson & Godfrey Friday gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State Office [illegible date]

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid do hereby Certify that it

appears from the musterroll in this Office that Drury Hearn served as a regular Soldier in the North Carolina line in the revolutionary war in the 3rd Regiment in Emitts Company and was regularly discharged on the 10th of November 1778 from said service.

Given under my hand at Office in Raleigh the date above.

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

[fn p. 12: On May 16, 1853 in Edgefield District South Carolina, Karen Hearn filed for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of Drury Hearn, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$80 per annum for his services in the revolution; that her husband died October 14, 1840 at his residence on Sleep the Creek in Edgefield District South Carolina; that she married him in Edgefield District on May 17, 1814; that they were married by John Bulger, a Minister of the Gospel; that her name prior to her marriage was Karen Bledsoe; and that she remains his widow. In connection with her application, she states that some years ago a man came to her house and cut the leaf from the Bible containing the record of her birth and marriage. This was done in an attempt to get a pension for her mother [who was Sarah Bledsoe, widow of John Bledsoe.¹]]

¹ See John Bledsoe FPA R939 for the family record. The Bible record reads as follows:

[fn pp. 7-9: family record]

Deaths

Mary Bledsoe the wife of William Bledsoe died December the 8, 1825

Martha Bledsoe the daughter of John and Sarah Bledsoe died July the 26, 1827

John Bledsoe died November the 24, 1829

Cassandra Bledsoe the daughter of John and Sarah Bledsoe died October the 19, 1835

Births

John Bledsoe and Sarah his wife were married September 9th 1788

Keren happuch the daughter of John & Sarah Bledsoe was born November 12th in the year of our Lord 1789

William the son of John and Sarah Bledsoe was born in the year of our Lord March 4th 1791

Heathy the daughter of John and Sarah was born in the year of our Lord October 6, 1792

Julius the son of John and Sarah Bledsoe was born in the year of our Lord December 22nd, 1793

Artemisia the daughter of John and Sarah Bledsoe was born in the year of our Lord April 19th 1796

Marth [sic], the daughter of John and Sarah Bledsoe was born in the year of our Lord February 27 [year illegibly faint]

[name illegibly faint] daughter of John and Sarah Bledsoe was born in the year of our Lord September 2nd 1799

Emily the daughter of John and Sarah Bledsoe was born in the year of our Lord February 28 1801

Bud the son of John and Sarah was born in the year of our Lord January 13th 1803

Mahala the daughter of John and Sarah Bledsoe was born in the year of our Lord September the 30, 1804

Births

Drury Hearn and Keren happuch his wife was married in the year of our Lord May 17th 1814

Abner the son of Drury and Keren happuch Hearn was born in the year of our Lord February 22nd 1815

John the son of Drury and Keren happuch Hearn was born in the year of our Lord February 11th 1816

Sarah the daughter of Drury and Keren happuch Hearn was born in the year of our Lord March 23rd 1817

Oliver the son of Drury and Keren happuch Hearn was born in the year of our Lord August 22nd 1818

[fn p. 15: on April 24, 1855 in Edgefield District South Carolina, Karen Hearn, aged 66, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Drury Hearn.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 2 years service in the North Carolina Continental line as a private.]

Emiline the daughter of Drury and Keren happuch Hearn was born in the year of our Lord
December 30th 1819

Edaline the daughter of Drury and Keren happuch Hearn was born in the year of our Lord
February 4th, 1821

Tollever the son of jewelry and Keren happuch Hearn was born in the year of our Lord April 11th
1822

Jerusha the daughter of Drury Hearn and Keren happuch Hearn was born the 16th of July the
year of our Lord 1823

Elizabeth Hearn the daughter of Drury and Keren happuch Hearn his wife was born May 26 in
the year of our Lord 1825

Maryann and Sarah Hearn was born December the 25, 1826

Edmond Hearn was born January 16th 1829