## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Slappey (Slappy) W6073<sup>1</sup> Ann Slappey f58SC Transcribed by Will Graves 6/29/11: rev'd 7/13/20

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

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State of Georgia Twiggs County On this the 20th day of May 1851 personally appeared before the undersigned one of the Justices of the Inferior Court of said County Mrs. Ann Slappey a resident of said County & State aged eighty-three years on the first of July next (1851) who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of 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 Henry Slappey who was an Officer (Adjutant) in Colonel Wade Hampton's Regiment of (Cavalry) State Troops of South Carolina in the Revolutionary War.<sup>2</sup> That she has frequently heard her husband Henry Slappey in his lifetime speak of serving in said war under Colonel Hampton, but does not now recollect how long he said he served in said war but is of the opinion that he served in several campaigns under Colonel Hampton & other Officers (as the Tories & British did not allow the Whigs, or rebels as they were called, to remain at their homes in safety for 2 or 3 years in the section of Country in which her husband lived). She well recollects of hearing her husband frequently speak of being in one severe battle in said war, the Battle at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], and other battles & skirmishes with the enemy but does not now recollect what battles & skirmishes they were. She further states that she does not now recollect how long her husband told her that he served his Country in said war nor does not know any person now living that the proof of his services can be established by but would respectfully refer the Commissioner of Pensions to the muster rolls on file in the War Office. She further declares that her maiden name was Ann Rutherford that she was married to the said Henry Slappey at her father's house by Esquire John Lindsey in New Berry [Newberry] District South Carolina on the 6th day of May 1788, that her & her husband the said Henry Slappey lived together as husband & wife up to the day of his death which occurred on the 7th day of March 1820 (that she has and still remains his widow). That she was not married to him previous to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, namely at the time above stated. She further swears that she has never before made application for a Pension. She further states that the enclosed leave was taken from the family Bible, which has been By her as a record of her & her husband's first & marriage & the births of a part of her children, that the first part of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BLWt15437-160-55

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> B387 In this roster, the veteran is listed as a Sergeant in the company of Captain William Alexander in Lieutenant Colonel Wade Hampton's Regiment of Thomas Sumter's Brigade of State Troops enlisted for ten months service in South Carolina.

said record was written down by her husband in his lifetime that this is the only record proof of her & her husband's marriage that she knows of as there were no marriage bond or license obtained or required when they were married.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day & year above written.

S/ James T Glover

S/ Ann Slappey, X her Mark

S/ Payton Reynolds, JIC

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State of Georgia Twiggs County } On this the 21st day of May 1851 before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County duly authorized by law to administer oaths personally appeared Ephraim Liles³ aged about 98 years (a Pensioner of the United States on the Georgia Roll at the rate of \$80 per annum) and after being duly sworn according to law states that he was acquainted with Henry Slappey in the Revolutionary War in South Carolina that the said Slappey was a true Whig & served his Country faithfully in said War but does not know how long he served but has no doubt that he served pretty much through the war at different times & under different officers Colonel Wade Hampton & General Sumter and other Officers not now recollected he further states that he was some little acquainted with his present widow Ann Slappey before they were married her name was Ann Rutherford of Newberry District South Carolina that they were legally married he has no doubt but does not now recollect the time about which they were married but thinks it was not many years after the close of the Revolutionary War he further states that he has no reason to doubt that Ann Slappey is entitled to a Pension as the widow of Henry Slappey who was a true friend to his Country said man of the Revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day & year above written.

S/C. H. Barclay, JP

S/Ephraim Lyles

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[Facts in file: Veteran was born October 5, 1758

Widow was born July 1, 1768; she died May 19 1855 in the home of her son Robert R Slappy in Twiggs County Georgia

The veteran and his wife had the following children

Dorothy B. born June 25, 1789, married July 11 1805 Ezekiel Wimberley

Magdalene H. born April 17, 1792, married April 9, 1815, Benjamin Tarver

Joice B. born June 13, 1794, married January 24, 1813, \_\_ Glover [paper torn]

John G born March 10, 17\_[paper torn] married December 31, 1818, Elisa

Hannah R. born August 14, [paper torn]

Mary Rutherford born January 16 [paper torn] married July 24, 1827, R. R. Tarver; she died August 26, 1829

Robert R. born May 5, 18\_\_[paper torn]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ephraim (Ephram) Lisles (Liles) W8051

[p 28: Certificate dated July 11, 1851 from the South Carolina Comptroller General showing the following entry: "Pay roll of Captain William Alexander's Troop, the Regiment of light Dragoons commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Wade Hampton Sumter's Brigade, that Henry Slappy Sergeant served ten months in said Company in said capacity."]

[Note: The following family data is also shown in the file: John George Slappey married August 8, 1827, Margaret Matilda Munro; Hartwell Hill Tarver married May 15, 1827 Ann Rutherford Wimberley; John Randolph Tarver the son of RR Tarver and Mary Rutherford Tarver was born November 17, 1828 and died February 28, 1829.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$75 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848 for her husband's service in the South Carolina militia.]