Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

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Pension application of Zachariah Taylor¹ W6237 Susannah Transcribed by Will Graves

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[f p 12]

State of Virginia Orange County: SS

On this 27th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the County Court of Orange Zachariah Taylor a resident of the said County of orange in the State aforesaid aged seventy-two 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 7th, 1832. That he entered the Army of the United States in the year 1776 with Captain Joseph Spencer and served in the 7th Regiment on the Continental line under the following Officers Colonel Dangerfield, Major Nelson, Captain Joseph Spencer, William White and Garland Burnley Lieutenants. The declarant enlisted for two years, he lived in the County and State aforesaid when he entered the Service afterwards either in the year 1778 or 1779 he was drafted in the militia and served six months under the command of Colonel Stubblefield and Captain Reuben Daniel he marched through the Southern part of Virginia and into North Carolina to Hillsborough and Guilford Court House – after the expiration of the term of service he was discharged and returned to Virginia. That afterwards the declarant believes in the spring of the year 1780 he served as a substitute in loop of one Francis Jackett against the Indians on the head of Greenbrier in the State of Virginia under Captain Cravens the subaltern officers not recollected. He served at the siege of York and was at the capture of Cornwallis in the year 1781. 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 any agency in any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Signed "Zachariah Taylor"

And on the same day personally appeared in Open Court Jeremiah White² aged seventy-seven years and made oath that he is well acquainted with Zachariah Taylor a Soldier of the Revolution and that the foregoing declaration of the services of the said Taylor he knows to be substantially true.

Signed "Jeremiah White"

[f p. 14: On July eight, 1846 in Greene County Virginia, Susannah Taylor, 74, filed for a widow's pension under the 1843 act stating that she is the widow of Zachariah Taylor, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him in the year 1792 and that her husband died August 16, 1845 and that she remains his widow; that she was married by Bartlet

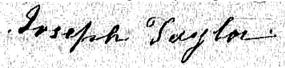
¹ BLWt11195-160-55

² Jeremiah White S6376

Bennet [Bartlett Bennett?] in Culpeper County Virginia; that they were married in the house of Mrs. Coaker [Coker?]. She signed her application with her mark.]

[f p. 8: copy of a marriage bond issued December 19, 1792, in Orange County Virginia, to Zachariah Taylor and J. M. Cofer, conditioned upon the marriage of Zachariah Taylor two Susannah Gerrill Spinster.]

If p. 18: In May 1847 in Greene County Virginia Joseph Taylor, the son of the veteran and his wife gave testimony verifying the family record made more than twenty years ago at the request of Tabitha Jarrell then a widow of Abraham Jarrell; that at the request of Tabitha Jarrell then a widow to Abraham Jarrell deceased he made a record of the marriage of said Abraham Jarrell with the births of his two children Clarissa Gerald and Abraham L. Jarrell and that he at the same time made a record of his own birth; that he, Joseph Taylor and Abraham Jarrell were "family connections" the said Joseph Taylor having married a sister of Tabitha Jarrell; that Tabitha Gerald has since intermarried with Chesley Rodgers and removed to the state of Indiana; that Abraham Jarrell died in January 1826 and he made the above record in the spring following; that he, Joseph Taylor has a sister by the name of Nancy (now Nancy Seal) born as he has understood on the eighth day of April 1793.



[the record referred to reads:

"Abraham Jarrell was married the 7th day of May 1822

Clarissa Jarrell a daughter of Abraham Jarrell was born the 5th day of February 1823 Abraham L. Gerald a son of Abraham Jarrell was born the 17th [? could be 27th or 14th] of June 1825

Joseph Taylor was born the first day of July 1794"]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia Continental line and militia. Veteran's widow was pensioned for a like amount commencing March 4th, 1848.]