Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Wood W6571 Sarah fn56NC¹
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State of North Carolina Johnston County: On this 14th day of June 1844 personally appeared before the Subscriber one of the Justices of the peace in and for said County Mrs. Sarah Wood resident of Johnston County aged 90 years 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 made by the act of Congress passed the 4th day of July 1836.

That she is the widow of James Wood who was a Soldier of the revolutionary war. That her husband the aforesaid James Wood enlisted in the Army of the United States in the month of March and joined the Army on the 20th of March 1780 and served until the war ended he enlisted under Captain Coleman. She cannot recollect at this time under what other officers he served. She distinctly recollects of hearing him say he served in Captain Coleman's Company and she knows he was gone from home from March 1780 to the end of the War as we were engaged to be married previous to his entering the Army and our marriage took place soon after his return from the Army which was in January 1784. She further declares that she was married to her husband the 29th January 1784 in the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina by Richard Warren Esquire and that her maiden name was Sarah Brewer and that her husband the aforesaid James Wood died on the 9th day of March 1832 and that she has remained a widow ever since his death as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed.

S/ Sarah Wood, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before me. S/ J. G. Gulley, JP

[fn p. 56: the widow filed another application, this one dated March 4, 1845 in Johnston County North Carolina. In this application she states her age as 82 years. She restates the same facts he set forth above except that she acknowledges she was not married to her husband prior to his leaving the service but that she was married to him prior to January 1, 1794.]

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State of North Carolina Johnston County

On this 15th day of June 1844 Personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County James Odom² a pensioner as a soldier of the revolutionary war aged 93 years who being duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following affidavit.

This affiant testifies and says That he was well acquainted with James Wood deceased late of Johnston County who was a Soldier during the revolutionary war in Captain Coleman's Company he served in the same campaign I did and he served to the end of the war as he was a Enlisted soldier and I was a militia man. I know of his serving the year 1780, 1781 and 1782 and also 1783.

This affiant has a perfect recollection of the aforesaid James Wood deceased and of his services at the time specified as above he knows he enlisted in Johnston County where he resided at the time.

S/ James Odom, X his mark

[fn p. 220: Jesse Green,³ 81, gave an affidavit dated June 15, 1844 in Johnston County, North Carolina attesting to the services of the veteran in substantially identical terms to the testimony given by James Odom above.]

[fn p. 266: on May 29, 1845 in Johnston County North Carolina, John Pearce, 488, a pensioner for his service in the revolution gave a supporting affidavit.]

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State of North Carolina, Office of Secretary of State

I William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that James Wood a private Soldier in Captain Coleman's Company of the 10th Regiment, entered the service on the 20th day of March 1780, for the term of ___

Given under my hand this 30th day of April 1845 S/Wm Hill, Secretary of State

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848.]

³ Jesse Green W11084

² James Odom S7278

⁴ Sic, John Pierce S7320