

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements](#)

Pension application of Richard Fenner W789      Ann      fn NC  
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State of Tennessee Madison County: In the Circuit Court of said County at the December Term  
On this 31st day of December 1839 personally appeared before the Honorable John Read Judge of said Court in open Court, Ann Fenner a resident of said County of Madison State aforesaid aged 72 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 July 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows" That she is the widow of Richard Fenner deceased who was a Lieutenant in the 2nd Regiment of the Continental Line of the State of North Carolina in the Revolutionary War, that he entered the service in the year 1777 (the month not known) that he was in Ensign on the 10th of January 1780 and Lieutenant on the 12th day of May 1781, that he was engaged in the Siege of Charleston South Carolina, and was there taken prisoner & remained until exchanged and that he continued in the Service until the expiration of the War. She further declares that she was married to the said Richard Fenner on the 23rd day of January in the year 1788 that her husband the aforesaid Richard Fenner died on the \_\_ day of May 1828 that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794, viz. at the time above stated, in the County of Halifax State of North Carolina  
Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written      S/ Ann Fenner  
Sworn to and subscribed in open Court 31st of December 1839  
S/ A. Guthrie, Clk

[On March 6, 1840 in Wake County North Carolina Elizabeth Geddy, 68, made oath that she was present at the marriage of Richard Fenner and Ann or Nancy Geddy which took place in Halifax in North Carolina in the year 1784 1785 to the best of her recollection; and that Ann Geddy Fenner is her sister.]

[ On December 31, 1839, in Madison County Tennessee, John M. Fenner, 34, made oath that he is the executor of Richard Fenner whose widow Ann Fenner is making application for a pension; that he is the son of said Richard Fenner and has custody of all of his father's papers since his death including a certificate of appointment of Richard Fenner as a Lieutenant in the 2nd Regiment of North Carolina taking that rank on May 12, 1781 (said certificate bearing the date October 6, 1784)]

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It is Hereby Certified, That Richard Fenner Gentleman late of the 2nd North Carolina Regiment was appointed a Lieutenant in the said Regiment to take Rank as such from the 12th Day of May A.D. 1781 –

Given under my Hand and Seal of the War Office, at Philadelphia, this 6th Day of

October 1784—

S/ Jno. Cashton [?]

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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 musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary War, that Richard Fenner entered the said line as Pay Master in the 2nd Regiment in the year 1777, that he was appointed Ensign on the 10th of January 1780, and promoted to Lieutenant on the 12th day of May 1781.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of June 1844

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State