

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Dawkins¹ W8665

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Transcribed by Wally Waits *as supplemented by Will Graves (in italics)*

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[Will Graves' 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 South Carolina Newberry District

On this 4th day of November in the year while Lord 1851 personally appeared before me Judge of the Court of Ordinary for the District and State aforesaid Drusilla Dawkins a resident of Newberry District in said State aged about ninety-two 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 Acts of Congress passed July 7th, 1838, March 3rd 1843, June 17th, 1844 and February 2nd 1848 granting half pay and pensions to certain widows, to wit, that she is the widow of Joseph Dawkins who was a private in the Militia Service of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

She further declares that to the best of her recollection she was married to the said Joseph Dawkins on the ___ day of ___ in the year of our Lord 1784 or 5, that her husband the aforesaid Joseph Dawkins died on the ___ day of ___ in the year 1800 and 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 viz. at the time above stated. She further swears that she is now a widow and that she has never before made any application for a Pension, that at the time he entered the service he was a resident of that portion of Ninety Six District now known as Newberry District.

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

S/ E. P. Lake, Ordinary of Newberry district

S/ Drusilla Dawkins, X her mark

[p 37: On April 9, 1852 in Newberry District South Carolina, Mrs. Susannah Keller gave testimony that she was well acquainted she was acquainted with Joseph Dawkins before and after the Revolutionary war; that Joseph Dawkins served in the war from District of Ninety Six now Newberry; that Drusilla Lyles married Joseph Dawkins about the same time Affiant was married in the year 1783; and that Drusilla remains the widow of Joseph Dawkins.]

¹ Note: Will Graves: The pension application and related materials filed by Drusilla Dawkins, widow of Joseph Dawkins W8665, are mistakenly filed by Fold3.com in the file of John Dawkins W6992 and indexed with the North Carolina veterans. The page numbers are the page numbers in the John Dawkins file as posted on Fold3.com. Thanks to Wally Waits for identifying this issue and providing this transcription.

[p 38: On April 9, 1852 in Newberry District South Carolina, Ephraim Liles,² 81, gave testimony that he was acquainted with Joseph Dawkins of said District and state; that Joseph Dawkins was the husband of Drusilla Dawkins; that affiant has always believed Joseph Dawkins was a soldier in the revolution from District of Ninety Six; that he only knew one soldier by that name during the revolution from Ninety Six District.]

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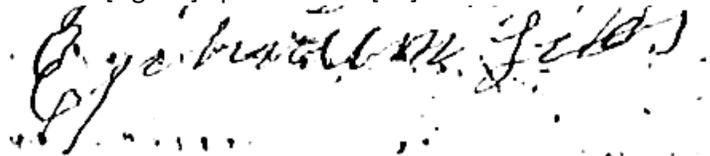
The State of Georgia}

Twiggs County } On this the fourteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, personally appeared before me a justice of the Peace within and for the county and state aforesaid, Ephraim [Ephraim] Lyles, who being duly sworn according to Law deposed and saith; That Drucilla Dawkins the person whose signature is affixed to the declaration accompanying, this affidavit and which was made before E. P. Lake Esq. Ordinary of Newberry District in the State of South Carolina, on the fourth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty one, is the widow of Joseph Dawkins who was a private in the Company of Capt. _____ in the Regiment of volunteers commanded by Col. Waters [probably Philemon Waters] in the Revolutionary War: That he entered the army as a ~~vol~~ private _____ at _____ on the ____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and _____ and continued in actual service for the Term of _____ and was honorably discharged on or about the close of the war day of _____ A. D. seventeen hundred and ~~eighty~~ _____. That the said Joseph Dawkins performed the above service in the State of South Carolina, and at the time he entered said service was a resident of Newberry District, in said State: This deponent further states that he was a resident in said District and State during the period of the Revolutionary War; That he knew the said Drusilla and the said Joseph Dawkins prior to their marriage which was solemnized in his presence on the ____ day of _____ A.D. seventeen hundred and ~~eighty~~ _____ previous to the first day January A.D. seventeen hundred and ninety-four, that this deponent removed from the State of South Carolina in ^about^ the year of eighteen hundred and Twenty Eight _____ and that the said Joseph Dawkins died in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and [blank]

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This deponent further states that he himself was in the service of the United States during a portion of said war; and that he was in the same _____ and Regiment in which the said Joseph Dawkins served during a part of the term of his said service: That deponent further states that the said Joseph Dawkins was in the Battle [of] Blackstock and Eutaw [Springs] and the said Joseph Dawkins got wounded on the head with a Sabre this was done in a skirmish somewhere above Charleston. This deponent States that he was not in the same company nor the same Regiment with the said Joseph Dawkins but he frequently saw him while in actual servs [sic] this deponent was himself in conl. Liles Regiment. This deponent states that the Said Drusilla Dawkins was the daughter of Williamson Liles that She was married to Joseph Dawkins previous to the year 1794.

This deponent Draws a pension from the general government and that himself and the Said Joseph Dawkins was both privates in the Revolution [signed] Ephraim Liles [sic]



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² [Ephraim \(Ephram\) Liles \(Lisles\) W8051](#)

The State of South Carolina }
Newberry District }

Personally appeared before me one of the Magistrates for the District and State aforesaid John [sic] Dawkins who being duly sworn according to law, depose and saith: That Drusilla Dawkins the person who has made the declaration accompanying this affidavit before E. P. Lake Esquire Ordinary of said District and State on the fourth day of December A.D. 1834 [?], in order to obtain the benefit of the acts of Congress granting pensions to the widows of revolutionary soldiers in certain Cases, in his mother: That she is the widow of Joseph Dawkins late of the District and State aforesaid and has never married since the death of her said husband: That the said Joseph [sic] Dawkins died between the twentieth and twenty fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. That there is no family register of the marriage of his said father and mother in the possession of the family or in the possession of anyone else within his knowledge. That there was a record of the birth of the children of said marriage in the possession of the family at one time, but that said record was consumed by fire in the year of 1818, when the family house and all its contents were burnt: That this deponent is now fifty years of age according to the entry in said register which was destroyed; That he distinctly remembers the ~~birth~~ [smear] of the birth of an older brother, Thomas Dawkins, as set down in said register, which was the fourteenth day October in the year seventeen hundred and ninety six: and that there were five children [in] the family of said marriage, older than the said Thomas Dawkins: That this deponent

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Sister Mary, a child of said Marriage, has a son five months and twelve days older than this deponent: That this deponent remembers a scar on the head of his father which he (his father) said was caused by a sabre wound received some where near Charleston in a skirmish: That this deponent has frequently heard his father speak of the battles and skirmishes in which he was engaged during the Revolutionary War: [signed] John Dawkins



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South Carolina }
Newberry District }

On this the Twenty first day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty one, personally appeared before me one of the Magistrates in and for the District and State aforesaid, Ephraim Liles who being duly sworn according to law depose and saith: That he knows Drusilla Dawkins, the person now applying for the benefit of the Acts of Congress granting pensions to the widows of Revolutionary soldier in certain Cases; that she is the widow of Joseph Dawkins late of the District and State aforesaid: that this deponent was not present at the marriage ceremony of the said Drusilla and the said Joseph; that they were living together as man and wife, and were so regarded by all their acquaintance, before the first day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety four, and were so regarded until the death of the said Joseph: that this deponent's father Col. Arramana Liles deceased was a ~~Colonel~~ [sic] in the service of his country during the Revolutionary War; that he has heard his father, and others who served in the war, speak of the services of the said Joseph during said war in terms of high praise and compliment.

[signed] ELyles

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The State of South Carolina }
Newberry District }

On this the Twenty first day of November A.D. 1851, personally appeared before me one of the Magistrates in and for the District and State aforesaid, Mrs. Elizabeth Maybin who being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith: That she knows Mrs. Drusilla Dawkins of the District and State aforesaid: that she is the widow of Joseph Dawkins late of the District and State aforesaid; that she was not present at the marriage of the said Drusilla and the said Joseph; that they were living together as man and wife, and were so regarded by all their acquaintances prior to the year of One thousand seven hundred and ninety four; that this deponent's father Col. James Liles ^deceased^ was a Colonel in the Revolutionary War; and that the traditionary account, which she has heard from various sources, is that the said Joseph Dawkins, was a soldier in the service of his Country during the Revolutionary War.

Witness W. E. Hardy [smear]

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Elizabeth X Mayben {LS}
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Comptrollers Office
Columbia S. C.
Decr 1st 1851

No. 2496

Lib. X Issued 24th April 1786 to Mr. Joseph Dawkins for £26. 0. 0 stg [Sterling] duty in Watters [Col. Philemon Waters] Regt. Pd / Audited No 110. Principal £26. 0. 0.
Interest £1. 14. 4

a/c State of South Carolina

Tr Joseph Dawkins

For Militia duty since the fall of Charleston in Watters [Col. Philemon Waters] Regt. pr
Andersons returns

Amty [?] to Currency. £ 182.
Sterling £ 26.

Recd. 24th April 1786 full satisfaction for the above in an indent No 2496. **[Book] X** for order
filed in 2418 X

Wm Houseal

May 1st, 1786.

Messr. Porquet & Mitchell Commissioners of the Treasury

Gentlemen Please deliver our Indents to Capt Wm Houseal with the interest due
thereon. You will oblige

Your Humble servts
Signed by Joseph Dawkins.
& others

I certify that the above is a true copy from the Records in this office

J. B. McCully
Compl. Genl.

\$111--

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The State of South Carolina
Newberry District

Personally appeared before me Majr Ephraim Lyles who being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he knew Henry Liles, Frances Welfer, Henry Anderson, and Mordecai Chandler; that he was acquainted with them about the close of the Revolutionary War: That they lived in the neighborhood where Joseph Dawkins the deceased husband of Mrs. Drusilla Dawkins, lived; and that the above named persons were said and believed to have been in their country's service during said war.

Sworn to before me this 3d day of May Anno [signed] ELyles

Domini 1852

James M. Baxter

Magistrate

The State of South Carolina

Newberry District

I James M. Baxter the Magistrate before whom the foregoing affidavit was made do certify that Majr Ephraim Lyles the deponent is a man of good character and is entitled to full faith and credit.

3rd [smear] day of May 1852

James M. Baxter

Magistrate

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Recd. 10th April 1786 full satisfaction for the within, in an Indent N. 2366 X [Lib X] pr. Order filed in 2418 X Wm. Houseal

No. 104.

No. 2366. Book X.

10th April 1786.

Wm. Houseal for 392 days duty as Captn of Horse 24th April 1779 to 16th Nov 1782 attg in Col. Waters's [Col. Philemon Waters] Regiment d 70/ pr day

Charged curry [currency?]	£ 1323. 0. 0
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Add more	49. 0. 0
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Cury	£ 1372. 0. 0
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Stg	£ 196. 0. 0
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One hundred and Ninety six pounds Stg. Exd.

J. Mc.

Comptroller Genl's Office

Columbia 14th April 1852

I hereby certify the two foregoing Indents and accompanying accounts, Receipts and all therein contained to be true copies taken from the originals now on Record and on file in this Office; and that the two foregoing Receipts signed by Wm. Houseal appear and are believed to be the same handwriting

J. B. McCully

Compt. Genl.

Pr. Tho. Johns

Deputy

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The State of South Carolina

Newberry District

Personally came before me, one of the Magistrates in and for the District and State aforesaid, Samuel Waits³ [born c1773] who being duly sworn according to law depose and saith that he is now about seventy nine years of age; that he knew Samuel Waits [born c1753?]; that he was in the service of his country during the Revolutionary War, and lived in the District of Ninety Six, in that part of it now included in Newberry District.

Sworn to before me this
4th day of May Anno
Domini 1852
P W Counts
M. N. D [Magistrate of Newberry District?]

his
Samuel X Waits
mark

The State of South Carolina
Newberry District

I P. W. Counts the Magistrate before whom the foregoing affidavit was made do hereby certify that Samuel Waits the deponent is a man of good character and entitled to full faith and credit.

May 4th 1852
P W Counts
M N D

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May 1st 1786

Mssr Pocquet and Mitchell Commissioners of the Treasury
Gentlm.

Please deliver our Indents to Capt. Wm. Houseal with the Interest due thereon, you will
oblige

Your most humble Sevts.

John Fairchild
Michl. Bates -- some marked as this
G. Jacobson
Samuel Messer
~~Alexander Welfer~~
Wm. Gay
~~Henry Liles~~
~~Francis Welfer~~
~~Joseph Dawkins~~
Thomas Patty [?] [Thomas Petty?]
Anna Ford
~~George Leaver~~
~~Martin Taylor~~
Daniel Purkins [?]
Charles Paty
Samuel Wates [Waits]
Adam Sneider
Wm. Caldwell
Wm. How

³ [Samuel Waits \(Wates\) R11006](#)

~~James Paty~~
~~Mordica Chandler~~
John Herrman
~~Henry Anderson~~
Richard Birdweasel
~~Micajah Herris~~
Daniel Chandler
~~Joachim Bulow~~

Note Those marked with red ink are found and deld. [deleted?]

I certify the a bove orders

P. Waters I. T.

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$56.93 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband's service as a private in the South Carolina Cavalry.]

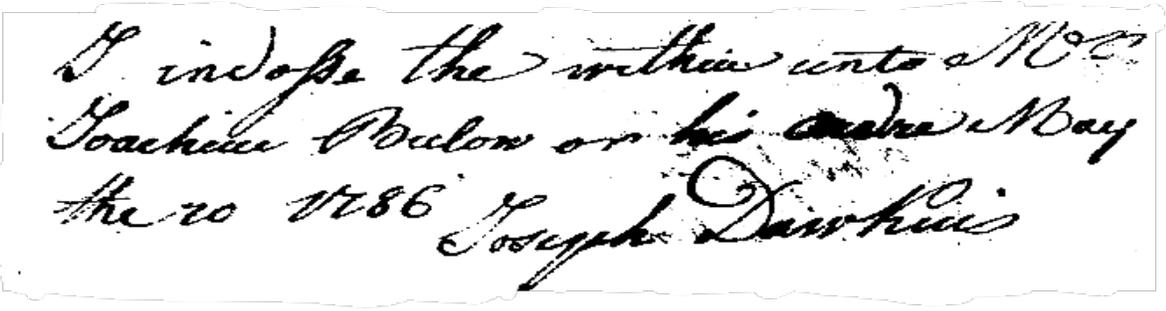
South Carolina Audited Accounts⁴ relating to Joseph Dawkins AA5
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 1825
Transcribed by Will Graves 4/22/20

[Note: the contents of this file are transcribed above except for the following]

[p 4: Printed form of Indent No. 2496 Book X dated April 24th, 1786 in the amount of £26 delivered to Joseph Dawkins for his service in Colonel Waters' Regiment.]

[p 5: Reverse of the above indent bearing, among others, the following endorsement:

I Indorse the within unto Mr. Joachim Bulow or his Order May the 10 1786
S/ Joseph Dawkins



*I indorse the within unto Mr
Joachim Bulow or his order May
the 10 1786 Joseph Dawkins*

⁴ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The "SC" file number shown on this transcript has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.