

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Brown R1320

Judah Brown

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State of Illinois Jackson County } SS

On this 7 day of September A.D. 1853, personally appeared before me Judge of the County Court of Jackson in the State of Illinois, in open Court, Court being in session in the town of Murphysboro in said County, Judah Brown a resident of said State of Illinois in the County of Randolph, age 63 years, who after being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by act of Congress, passed February 3rd A.D. 1853, that she is the widow of Richard Brown who was a private Soldier in the Company of Militia men commanded 1st by Captain Godfrey Adams, 2nd by Captain Moore [Francis Moore] to whom command he was transferred after the Battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781]; during the revolutionary War, in the Regiment of troops commanded by Colonel Middleton [Charles Myddleton], in General Sumpter's [sic, Thomas Sumter's] brigade in the division of the revolutionary Army under the Command of General Greene [Nathanael Greene] in the Revolutionary War (whether he was a regular soldier, and drafted man or volunteer she cannot tell.) Said Richard Brown, resided in the State of North Carolina in either the County of Wilkes or Burke, at the time when he entered the service, which he did about first March 1781, and continued in the service about the space of ten months and was discharged (at what place she cannot tell) about the first December 1781 was in the battles at Dorchester [perhaps the engagement at Fort Dorchester, December 1, 1781] and Eutaw Springs. She further declares that she was married to the said Richard Brown in said Jackson County State of Illinois in the month of March in the year 1822 and that her said husband, the aforesaid Richard Brown died in Franklin County in said State on the 15th day of March A.D. 1828, that she was married to him at the time above stated. She further swears that she was a widow at the passage of the act, and is still a widow and that she has never before made application for a Pension. She further says that she knows of no documentary evidence by which he can prove anything about the services of her said husband, save the rolls of the Army. She further swears that she is unable to obtain any record evidence of her marriage with the said Richard Brown. The clerk's office in said Jackson County having been destroyed by fire in 1843 the record of their marriage was burned, and they never had any family record.

S/ Judah Brown, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me in open Court

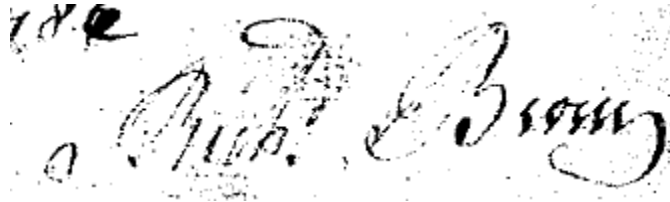
S/ Jefferson Allen, Judge

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Know all men by these presents that I Ritchard Brown [sic] of the North Carolina State have this day Bargained and Sold to Andrew Alexander of the same place an Indent of Eighty pounds Sterling which he is entitled to from the State of South Carolina for his services done in the State Troops in General Sumter's Brigade Colonel Midleton's [sic] Regiment Captain Mores [sic] troop for the consideration of one pound [text blotted out] paid for which draw [?] I warrant & defend from all other persons to said Alexander. Given under my hand this 25th day of January 1786

S/ William Todd

S/ Rich'd Brown

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Richard Brown". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. There are some faint markings above the signature, possibly "1786".

[p 3: Printed form of Indent No. 355 Book M dated October 1st, 1784 issued to Mr. Richard Brown "late Soldier in Captain Moore's troop Myddleton's Regiment Sumter's Brigade S. T. [State Troops] this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Ninety-four pounds Sterling being amount of pay and bounty due him for service in Sumter's Troops together with Interest thereon from April 1782 to date [remaining text too faint to discern]"

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Gentlemen a point to [indecipherable word] with the State brigade of South Carolina

Please to pay John [text blotted out and rendered illegible] or order the indent of eighty-four pounds Sterling and the interest thereon it being for my service as a light Dragoon under Command of General Sumter and this my order shall be your receipt in full for the same. Given under my hand this 24th of November [year blotted out]

S/ Richard Brown

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Richard Brown made oath before me a Justice for said County that the above account is Just and true and that he never sold or traded the above Indent or any pay to any person but John [surname blotted out] and [text blotted out] from him for the [indecipherable word]. Sworn before me this 24th day of November 1790

S/ Robert Alexander JP

S/ Richard Brown

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¹ 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.