## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

## Pension application of Joseph Caldwell (Coldwell) R1595<sup>1</sup> Tabitha Caldwell f43SC Transcribed by Will Graves 5/19/11: rev'd 4/7/19

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## To the Legislature of South Carolina

The Petition of Joseph Caldwell shows that he is now seventy years of age & now a resident of the District of Anderson and having been a Soldier of the Revolution and now aged and infirm he is desirous of being placed on the pension list: He served three months under Captain Godfrey Fryer [sic, Godfrey Dreher] in the Regiment commanded by Major Hart and Colonel William Thompson [Lt. Col. William Russell Thomson] under Captain Owens [Jonathan Owens] he was marched to the Four Holes [bridge] and was stationed for some time under Captain Friday [sic, Gabriel Fridign] in guarding the magazine at Orangeburg and was frequently during the last years of the war actively engaged in scouting [the] frontiers but was too young in the first part of the war to take part in it: This Deponent has no other property than a horse worth \$50 one Cow for which I am yet in debt some small household furniture and plantation implements worth about \$50 or thereabouts. Sworn to and subscribed 8th day of October 1832 Before

S/C. J. Norris, JP

S/ Joseph Caldwell, X his mark

South Carolina Anderson District: James Caldwell being sworn declares that the above Joseph Caldwell is his brother that they lived together in the Revolutionary war and that he knows the said Joseph was a friend to American Independence having been engaged in the service of his Country together during the considerable time under Captain Fryer, Owens and Friday. Sworn to & subscribed 8th day of October 1832 before

S/ James Caldwell, X his mark

[p 5 the above was certified by the State Librarian and State Housekeeper as a true copy of the proceedings in the Legislature regarding the granting of a pension by the State of South Carolina to Joseph Caldwell for his service in the revolution.]

[p 8: On the 7th day of April, 1855 in Cherokee County, Georgia, Tabitha Caldwell, 57, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Joseph Caldwell; that her husband drew a pension for many years prior to his death at the rate of \$60 from the government of South Carolina; that she married him in Newberry District South Carolina June 5, 1817; that they were married by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BLWt61335-160-55

one William Williams, JP; that her name prior to her marriage was Tabitha Busby; that her husband died at his residence in Anderson District South Carolina March 10, 1851 and that she remains his widow.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>2</sup> relating to Joseph Caldwell AA20

Audited Account Microfilm file No. 991

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[p 6]

No. 79

[illegible] 40 Y 1 Mar. 86 [1786]

Joseph Colwell [sic] his Account Pay for 138 days duty in Colonel Thomson's Regiment at 10/per day amounting in [old South Carolina] Currency

to £69.0

Amt. Stg. [Sterling] £9.17.1 ½

NB No time mentioned when the above duty was performed

Ex<sup>d</sup>. J. M<sup>c</sup>. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

the times when the Service was performed & ended must be particularized & Colonel Thomson must approve this

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Passed

S/ E. D.

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the Public of South Carolina 1785

to Joseph Colwell To 138 Days actual Duty at 10/ [10 Shillings] per Day Dr.

To 138 Days actual Duty at 10/ [10 Shillings] per Day £69.0.0

State South Carolina Orangeburg District} Personally appeared before me Joseph Colwell and being duly sworn saith that the above account is Just and true and that he Never Received any Satisfaction for the Same, and that the above Duty was Done in Colonel Tomsons [sic] Regiment of Militia

S/ Jo. h. Colwell, X his mark

Sworn to before me this 14 of June 1784 S/ George Strothers

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To [sic, I] Do hereby Certify that the Within mentioned Duty was Done

S/ Jonathan Owen Capt.

<sup>2</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <a href="http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/">http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/</a>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the <a href="Just take me to the search page">Just take me to the search page</a> link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

S/W. R. Thomson [William Russell Thomson], Lt. Col.

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[another certification of service signed by W. R. Thomson which appears to contain the dates of service but the image is so faint as to render it essentially illegible]

Received one March 1786 full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 1040 Y per Order S/ James Colwell, X his mark

Test:

S/ Thos. Nicholls

[Note: p 10 is an image of the original pension petition transcribed above along with the supporting affidavit of James Caldwell also transcribed above.]

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The Committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Colwell [sic] praying for a pension have had the same under consideration and recommend that the prayer thereof be granted

S/ J. Evans, Chairman

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December 7, 1832

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the Report of the Committee on Pensions of the Senate, on the Petition of Joseph Caldwell praying for a pension.

S/ Holmes

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The committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Pensions of the Senate on the Petition of Joseph Caldwell praying for a Pension, Report, that they have considered the same and recommend that this House do concur in the Report and that a Pension be granted to the said Joseph Caldwell

Respectfully submitted

December 6, 1832

S/ J. E. Holmes, Chairman

[p 16 Receipts dated May 30, 1833 and June 4, 1834 showing payment to Joseph Caldwell of \$60 per annum.]

[p 20: Receipts dated June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1849, May 28, 1850 and May 29, 1851 showing payments of \$60 per annum to Joseph Caldwell.]