# Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Bagwell S6571 Transcribed by Will Graves fn36NC rev'd 7/18/11

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## State of South Carolina, Anderson District

On this the Twenty fifth day of September 1832 Personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Richard Gantt in the Court of Sessions & common Pleas, now sitting, John Bagwell a resident of the State & District aforesaid aged seventy years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers, and served as herein stated. Colonel Thomas Eaton, Major Blount [Redding or Reading Blount], Captain John Cokeley, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Philip Hawkins, under officers not recollected. That he started from Bute County North Carolina, crossed Cape Fear [River] at Elizabethtown, went from thence to Ameys Bridge across Big Lynches Creek, thence to the ten mile House near Charleston S. C., thence to Sisters Ferry [Two Sisters Ferry], & thence to Augusta Ga, thence to Brier Creek [March 3, 1779] in which place they had a Battle and were defeated, thence to Black Swamp where he was discharged, being in service at that time five months, this was some time in the year 1778.

About two years after this he entered service under Captain Shadrach Hargiss in Hillsboro N. C. for three months, remained there during the time.

About one year after this he entered service again under Colonel Thomas Pasters [Thomas Pasteur] at Warrenton N.C. and marched from thence to Ashley Hill S. C. where they joined General Greene [Nathanael Greene], he was then put under Colonel Archibald Lightle [sic, Archibald Lytle], Major \_\_, Captain Benjn. Carter [Benjamin Carter], 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. Thomas Pasters [Thomas Pasteur], 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Robert Bell – General Greene was at this time at Ashly Hill [Ashley Hill] where he remained for some months, during this time he was sometimes stationed as a Guard at Ashley Ferry, and about the time of the British leaving Charleston S. C. General Greene marched his Army over to James Island where they remained about seven months he was then discharged.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid. S/ John Bagwell, X his mark S/ Van A. Lawhon, C. C. P.

[Standard certificate of reputation for veracity, age and belief of services as a revolutionary soldier given by Robert King, a clergyman, and William Acker, Esquire, a neighbor.]

#### The State of South Carolina

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for Anderson District in the State aforesaid, John Bagwell, who being duly Sworn, deposes and saith, that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his Service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in

the following grades --

For the year 1778

Five months

For the year 1780

For the years 1781 & 82

Three months

18 mo.

18 mo.

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The whole time a private 2 Years 2 months

This deponent further saith that he hath no documentary evidence and knows of no living witness who can testify to his said services.

He answers the Interrogatories of the War department as follows, viz.:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Born in Halifax County, State of North Carolina
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Has a transcript of his age from his Fathers Family Record in the Bible.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> He was living in Bute County in North Carolina when called into this Service.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Was drafted twice & Enlisted once.
- 5<sup>th</sup> The second tour he was under Captain Shadrach Hargiss of the militia at Hillsboro. When he Enlisted he was under Lieutenant for Captain Pasteur, Captain Carter, Colonel Archibald Lytle. He was with General Greene. He was near 50 days under Pulaski & was acquainted with or saw Colonel Moore, Colonel Benjamin Dickson
- 6<sup>th</sup> He got a discharges for the duty done when drafted but have lost them. He got a furlough after Peace from the Eighteen months Service. He never was called out or discharged. The furlough has been long since lost or mislaid.
- 7<sup>th</sup> I know of no person who would refuse to testify to my character for veracity. The most noted of my acquaintances are Major Aaron Broyles, Col. Azariah Rice, H. Rice, Esq., W. F. Clinkscales, Esquire and Halbert Acker, Esq., Post Master at Greensboro, S. C.

Sworn to & subscribed this sixth day of July 1833 before me. S/ John Bagwell, X his mark S/ Wm. F. Clinkscales

## State of North Carolina We wake County December 20, 1793

We the Subscribers hereunto – Justices of the peace for aforesaid County Send to all whom it may Concern Greeting and do hereby Certify that John Bagwell Son of Mr. Daniel Bagwell of this County, having been [illegible word] on This County, and Behaved himself in a Becoming Manner Has faithfully served as a Soldier in defense of his Country – and having an Inclination to travel Into different parts of the Country – We Recommend him to the Favor of the publick in any State or County Where the said John Bagwell may incline to travel.

S/ Warren Alford
S/ Joseph Fowler, Capt.
S/ Charles Austin
S/ John Curdup
S/ John Robertson
S/ Burrell Perry
S/ John Strother
S/ George Chamlee
S/ Burwell Carpenter

S/ William High

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- S/ [part of signature obliterated] Marriott

### South Carolina, Anderson District

Before me personally appeared William Bagwell<sup>1</sup> and made oath in due form of Law that he is knowing to the service of his brother John Bagwell, that he served five months with him under General

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> William Bagwell S21057

Ash [John Ashe], Col. Eaton [Thomas Eaton], & Capt. Cokeland, which is all the Officers the deponent recollects, that during this five months service they were in the Battle of Brier Creek together.

Sworn to & subscribed this fourth day of March 1834 before me.

S/ Miles M. Norton

Not. Public & Ex Off J.U.O.

S/ William Bagwell, X his mark

The State of South Carolina

Before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for Anderson District, Personally appeared John Bagwell & made Oath, That he cannot state precisely the period of the war or more so than stated in the annexed affidavit But he saith that he went to Hillsboro to Guard the prisoners & Jail – after that tour was out he Enlisted or turned out as a Substitute for one Nathaniel Perry who was a volunteer for Eighteen months to save his class of fifteen man who had to find a man or be drafted and after he had volunteered he wished to stay at home, hired this deponent who took his place and did serve the time of Twelve months two & was furloughed-- and as this deponent is old & bad recollection & no Scholar – He saw Captain Rayford, Capt. Coleman & Capt. Hall of the Regular Army under those mentioned. This deponent cannot now recollect anything further, he is unable to procure any living witness to testify to his Services. Sworn to 21<sup>st</sup> of October 1833 Before me. S/ John Bagwell, X his mark S/ Stephen Williams

State of South Carolina, Anderson District

Before me, Miles M. Norton a Notary Public and Ex Officio a Justice of the Quorum, personally came Sherrard Gean<sup>2</sup> of Pickens District South Carolina, and made Oath in due form of Law, that he is acquainted with John Bagwell, a Revolutionary Soldier, and that he served with him in the Revolutionary War, that the said John Bagwell entered the service in the Continental line of North Carolina, sometime in the month of August next, before peace was declared under the following Officers Captain Benjamin Carter, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Thomas Pasters [Pasteur], 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Robert Bell, and Colonel Archibald Lightle's [sic, Archibald Lytle's] Regiment, Thomas Dennahoo [sic, Thomas Donoho] Major that he set out at Warrenton N. C. from thence to Hillsboro N. C. thence to Salisbury N. C. thence to Ashley Hill, where they as he believes joined General Greene, and remained until the British left Charleston S. C. after which (under General Graham) they took possession of Charleston, and there remained until sometime in the August following, being over Twelve months in actual Service, then this deponent together with the said John Bagwell obtained a Furlough, and returned Home having at first entered the service for Eighteen months, but was never called on again.

S/ Sherrard Gean

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify, that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this state in the revolutionary war that John Bagwell a private in Captain Carter's Company of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment enlisted in 1782 for 18 months, and that nothing more is said of him on said rolls.

Given under my hand this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 1836.

S/Wm, Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 8 months service as a private in the service of North Carolina.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sherod Gean (Jean) R3960