Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Carson W18862 Hollon fn31NC
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State of North Carolina Franklin County: SS: On this 25th day of July 1842 personally appeared before me Jeremiah Solomon one of the acting Magistrates, & a member of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions in and for said County & State (it being a Court of Record) Hollon Carson aged seventy-eight 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 4th, 1836,

That she is the widow of John Carson who was a Private in the Army of the Revolutionary War, & served for nine months in the North Carolina Militia = She further declares that she was married to the said John Carson on the second day of January 1779 – That her husband the aforesaid John Carson died on the __ day of February 1815 – and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed.

Sworn to & subscribed on the day & year above written before S/ Jereh Solomon, JP q S/ Hollon Carson, X her mark

[fn p. 6: copy of the marriage bond issued January 1, 1779 to John Carson and John Smith in Warren County North Carolina to secure the marriage of John Carson to Hollon Pope.]

[fn p. 18: certificate dated March 8th, 1851 in the North Carolina Comptroller's Office showing payments made to a John Carson for military service during the revolutionary war. This document contains a note note in a contemporary handwriting that reads as follows: "this report is also furnished in the case of John Carson S9132 who was born in Ireland & died in Burke County North Carolina 1841."]

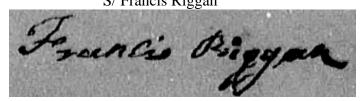
[fn p. 19: finding dated September 1851 in Franklin County North Carolina by Captain young Patterson, clerk of the court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for said County that Hollen Carson (by mistake spelled Heblen in a former Certificate) died on or about the 20th day of February 1845 leaving surviving her the following children: "Richard Carson, Robert Carson, James M Carson, Norfleet P Carson and Archibald Carson and other children not know them to be alive."] [fn p. 21: Patterson gave the identical certificate in Sept. 1852, except this time he spelled the

widow's name "Holland Carson"]

[fn p. 28]

I Francis Riggan¹ of the County of Warren and State of North Carolina a Revolutionary Pensioner aged 80 years Certify that I knew well one John Carson, that married one Hollon Pope about the year 1779 or 1780 – and I know that the said John Carson did served at least six months as a militia soldier in the Revolution in the North Carolina service, & I do verily believe that the said Carson did serve as much as nine months – = But I do Certify on oath that the said John Carson served three months under Captain Jordan Harris, Commencing in the month of February 1781 – And also I know that he served, another Tour of three months under Captain Turner, Commencing in July or August 1781 = The Reason I know of the said John Carson served the above to Tours, is because I was a Soldier myself & served with him the above period of six months – The Reason why I believe the said Carson served another Tour making nine months, is that I know, after & as soon as we Returned home after our first Tour Commencing in February 1781 – was out that he the said John Carson, did substituted himself in the place & for one John Smith, & did go off in the Army & was gone for three months, at the End of which time, we served under Captain Turner as above stated –

Sworn to & subscribed before us this fifth day of October 1842 S/ Francis Riggan

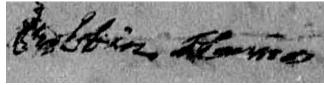


S/ Jno P. Shearin, JP S/ H. J. Macon, JP

I Robbin Harris² of the County of Warren and State of North Carolina a Revolutionary Soldier, aged eighty-three years Certify on Oath, that I was well acquainted with John Carson, & his wife, Hollon, (whose maiden name was Pope), and that the said John Carson was a Militia Soldier, & served as such for the period three months, in North Carolina Militia, commencing in the month of May 1781. I know the fact for the reason that I was a Soldier myself & served with him as above stated –

I also certify that the said Carson was married to Hollon Pope, some two or three years before 1781 – and that the said John Carson is dead & has been, upwards of 20 years & that his widow, Hollon Carson is now a widow & has never married since the death of her said husband John Carson.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the sixth day of September A.D. 1842 S/ Jno. P. Shearin, JP S/ Robbin Harris



¹ Francis Riggan S9054

² Robin Harris R6472

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending February 15, 1845 for the service of her husband as a private in the North Carolina militia.]