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

Pension application of Thomas Garrott W19488 Transcribed by Will Graves Margaret Garrott f20NC 8/1/08 rev'd 7/30/15

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## State of North Carolina, Wake County

The Declaration of Margaret Garrott made to obtain a Pension under the Act of Congress in such case is made and provided doth declare on oath, that she is the widow and relict of Thomas Garrott deceased, who departed this life on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 1815.

That her deceased husband aforesaid whom she now represents was a soldier in the revolutionary War and served as a Sergeant in the North Carolina line of the Continental Army, as is proven by the accompanying certificate of the Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina: from which it appears that Thomas Garrott served as such and received the sum of 145 pounds, nine shillings and eight pence, as pay for his services, and which certificate she produces and refers to as proof of his said service in the Army aforesaid in part: and she will submit such other proof taken in connection there with as she is advised and believes will entitle her to such a Pension as the General Government allows in such cases where the husband has died and left a wife surviving him. She further more declares that her said husband entered the Army after their marriage and that he was absent in the service aforesaid about three years, but at this great distance of time and her on very advanced age and imperfect recollection she cannot state the length of time with precision: She further declares that her said husband and herself reside in Bute County now Warren and Franklin Counties in the State of North Carolina at the time of their marriage and it continued to be their home until after the close of the War of the Revolution: when they removed to Wake County in said State and continued always afterwards to reside in said last named County until his death, and that she has always resided in said County since his death: that herself and her said husband were married by publication in the Church as was the manner of those times, which Church has long since gone down and that she knows of no one that she can prove the marriage positively by; but as no Record was kept of such occurrences by the Churches in that section of the Country, she cannot produce a certificate of their said marriage, nor can she with her present worn out faculties state the exact date of their marriage, but it was about the year 1770 she well recollects that she had three children when her husband Thomas Garrott entered the service: that her maiden name was Margaret Dickerson: and that her said husband Thomas Garrott died as above stated, and was at that time aged about 67 years when he died; and that she the said Margaret Garrott is about 94 years old and that she the said Margaret Garrott still resides in the County of Wake and State of North Carolina as above stated.

Sworn to and subscribed by the said Margaret Garrott on the ninth day of March in the year 1844 before,

S/ [illegible signature], JP

S/ Margaret Garrott, X her mark

[James Pullen Deve supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina, Wake County: July the second 1844

This day personally appeared before me Wm R. Thomas one of the acting Justices of the Peace

for said County Margaret Garrott maketh oath to the following declaration.

That she has had 13 children by Thomas Garrott her deceased husband to wit

Fanney Garrott was born in the year 1772

Isham Garrott was born in the year 1774

Warren Garrott was born in the year 1777

Polley Garrott was born in the year 1778

Salley Garrott was born in the year 1779

Ellis Garrott was born in the year 1781

Milley Garrott was born in the year 1783

Stephen Garrott was born in the year 1785

Anson Garrott was born in the year 1788

Lizza Garrott was born in the year 1791

Piggy [sic, Peggy?] Garrott was born in the year 1793

Thomas Garrott was born in the year 1795

Martha Garrott was born February 13<sup>th</sup> 1801

The above statement I believe to be correct to the best of my recollection Sworn and subscribed to on the day and year above written before

S/ Margaret Garrott, X her mark

Witness:

S/Wm R. Thomas, JP

State of North Carolina, Wake County

This day personally appeared before me John Wilkins an acting Justice of the peace for said County and State above written, Samuel Chappell<sup>1</sup> and an old revolutionary Soldier maketh the following oath that he had some acquaintance with Thomas Garrott the husband of Margaret Garrott who petitions for a pension. I saw Thomas Garrott in Guilford County North Carolina acting as first Sergeant under Captain Alexander Martin in the Second Regiment North Carolina Line. Since that time I have been well acquainted with said Thomas Garrott and I know him to be the same Thomas Garrott I saw all in the old Revolutionary [war] in Guilford County.

Witness June the 21<sup>st</sup> 1844

S/ Samuel Chappell, X his mark

S/ John Wilkins, JP

State of North Carolina, Office of the Secretary of State

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from a book in this Office, that Thomas Garrett [sic] a Sergeant in the Continental line of this State in the Revolutionary war, was allowed by a Board of Commission for settling the accounts of the Officers and Soldiers of said line, the sum of 145 pounds, nine shillings & eight pence (£145.9.8) for his services in said line.

Given under my hand this 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 1844 S/Wm Hill, Secretary of State

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State of North Carolina Wake County

I am well acquainted with Thomas Garrott and Margaret Garrott the wife of Thomas Garrott Deceased nearly 20 years before his death, he was an honest upright man and I believe he was married to Margaret Dickerson now the widow of Thomas Garrott deceased. Given under my hand this the 11<sup>th</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Samuel Chappell (Chapel) W6671

day of March in the year of our Lord 1844.

S/ Robert Sneed

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for her husband service as a Sergeant for 2 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]

Robert Sneed