Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Irvin [Irvine, Erwin] W2117 Rebecca Irvin f34SC
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State of North Carolina Rutherford County: Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions October Sessions 1832

On this 24th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the Court aforesaid now sitting, James Erwin [sic] a resident of Rutherford County North Carolina aged 67 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He was born in the County of Chatham North Carolina in the month of March 1765. That he entered the service of the United States as an enlisted soldier in the South Carolina State Troops, in the District of Ninety Six South Carolina, in the month of May 1781 for the term of ten months in the company commanded by Captain Jesse Johnston in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Samuel Hammond, that he was stationed at General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] on Long Cane Creek from there he marched under command of General Pickens to the high hills of Santee, and returned to the former station on Long Cane from there he marched to a place called White Hall¹ in South Carolina where he was stationed a short time, that he was marched about from one place to another in South Carolina under the command of General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] and was in the Battle of Eutaw Springs in the month of September 1781 [September eight, 1781] where he received three wounds and was taken prisoner by the British as soon as he recovered from his wounds he was discharged upon his parole and got a permit from Captain Johnston to go home subject to be called on when he had sufficiently recovered from his wounds to be fit for duty. He returned home where he remained unfit for service until the expiration of his term of service. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the roll of the agency of any State.

S/ James Irvin

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Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the 24th October 1832. [Drury Dobbins, a clergyman, and Theodorick Birchett gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

¹ White Hall is the name which General Andrew Williamson gave his plantation on Hard Labor Creek near present day Bradley South Carolina and West of Ninety Six South Carolina.]

State of North Carolina Rutherford County

On this 11th day of May 1833 Personally appeared James Irvin before me William G. Irvin an acting justice of the peace in in & for the County of Rutherford North Carolina, and answered the following Interrogatories, amendatory to the within declaration to entitle him to the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the seventh A.D. 1832. Question first have you any record of your age & if so where is it? Answer I have no record of my age but agreeable to the statement of my father and mother I am 68 years old.

Second State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood & who can testify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution, -- Answer -- I am acquainted with Drury Dobbins & Theodorick Birchett of my present neighborhood who have testified as to my character for veracity and their belief of my service as a soldier in the revolutionary War.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day & year aforesaid

S/W. G. Irvine, JP

S/ James Irvin

[p 11: on February 14, 1849 in Cleveland County North Carolina Rebecca Irvin,, 75, made application for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of James Irvin who was a private soldier in the revolution and a pensioner at the rate of \$20 per annum for his services; that she married him some time in the year 1795; and that he died May 16, 1845; that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 13: On February 14, 1849 in Cleveland County North Carolina, A. C. Irvin authenticated the family record of the ages of the children of James and Rebecca Irvin stating that said record has been in his possession ever since the death of James Irvin and that he believes it is in the handwriting of Martin Irvin as to the first six entries.

[p 12 family record]

The Names and Ages of Children of James Irvine [sic] and Rebeckah Irvine [sic]

Suzannah Irvine was born May the 15th 1797

Isaac James Irvine was born March the 5th 1800

Abram Collins Irvine was born October the 4th 1801

Rachel Irvine was born December the 18th 1803

John Young Irvine was born April the 5th 1806

Patsey Irvine was born May the 23rd 1808

James Wiley Irvine was born August the 17th 1810

Hanah Irvin was born the 4 May 1813

Ancil Jackson Irvine was born October 2nd 1815

Elizabeth Martin Irvine was Born in the year while Lord 1819 August the 24th day

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[p 19: certificate dated August 14, 1849 from the clerk of the court for Lincoln County North Carolina stating that he has searched his file and found no marriage bond for the marriage of James Irwin & Rebecca Hardin.]

[p 19: Benjamin Harden gave testimony in Cleveland County: October 15, 1849 in which he states that Rebecca Irvin, widow of James Irvine is his sister; that she married James sometime before the birth of his (Benjamin Harden's) son Thomas M. Harden the cause his sister had a daughter Susannah who was about the same age as his oldest son and that his oldest son was born on May seventh, 1797.]

State of North Carolina Rutherford County: John Green² swears that he served in the company commanded by Captain Jesse Johnson [sic] Lieutenant James Martin in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Samuel Hammond in the South Carolina State Troops before the battle of Eutaw Springs and that James Irvin was a private and served in said company against the common enemy and that they were in the same mess -- and that said Green was taken sick and was not in the battle of Eutaw Springs with him the said James Irvine [sic] but believes said Irvine was in the Battle and received a severe wound in the head from a sword of the enemy that after the battle the said James Irvine was taken to the camp where he the said Green was who had gotten a little better and was put to nursing the sick and nurse him said Irvine and dressed his wounds, until he got able to go about that said Irvine continued to serve for upwards of six months until regularly discharged and that said Irvin was a faithful soldier as long as he was in the service and that Captain Jesse Johnson was commander of the company we both served in.

S/ John Green

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for six months in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

² John Green S6914