

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Gunter ¹ W27550

Elizabeth Gunter f197SC

Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of South Carolina Anderson District:

Personally appeared before me an acting Justice for said District Charles Gunter and after being Sworn according to law Deposeth and Saith that he the said Charles Gunter was a Regular Souldier [Soldier] in the oald [old] Revolutionary war in the Independent Company commanded by Captain Benjamin Tutt at fourt [Fort] Rutledge and Served three years but was absent when the fourt was taken was Sent after a Deserter.

S/ Charles Gunter, O his mark

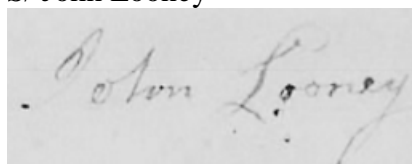
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st Day of October 1828

S/ Robert Holland

State of South Carolina Anderson District:

Personally appeared before me an acting Justice of said District John Looney and after being Sworn according to Law Deposeth and Saith that he was a Souldier [soldier] at the Same time and place with said Charles Gunter and he believes the above affidavit to be True.

S/ John Looney²



Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of October 1828

S/ Robert Holland

State of Georgia, County of Jackson

On this 6th day of November personally appeared in open Court before the Inferior Court of said County being a court of record now Sitting Charles Gunter of the County of Jackson and State of Georgia aged 72 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832

That I intered [entered] the Service of the United States under the following named

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² [John Looney S1553](#)

officers and served as herein stated, I inlisted [enlisted] in Yorke [York] County South Carolina The date not recollected for the Term of Two Yeares under Capt. David Dickson, Frederick Lipham Lieut. in Col. Jack's Ridgement [Regiment] of Minit [Minute] men and was sent to Georgia against the Cherokee Indians and served out my time and never received a discharge.

I then enlisted for the Term of Three years or during the war under Capt. Benjamin Tutt, Richard Tutt first Lieut. Thomas Farrow 2nd Lieut. James Hugins [Huggins] Ensign Michael Glosier Sgt. Major Michael Shavers first Sgt. and was Stationed at Fourt [Fort] Rutledge on Seneken [Seneca] River in South Carolina and was sent by Capt. Tutt after Two deserters and before my return Fort Rutledge was Taken by the British and I never saw Capt. Tutt any moore [anymore]. I then went to Ninety Six in South Carolina and There Joined the militia under Capt. Isaac Gray under General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] and stayed There until the Siege of 96 [May 21-June 19, 1781] was raised by the approach of Lord Rawdon From 96 went [with] General [Greene] to the high hills of Santee from thence was sent under Capt. Lewis Sexton [Lewis Saxon] under General Pickins [Andrew Pickens] against the Cherokee Indians to the Valley Towns took Two prisoners and killed one White man, The War closed and I never received a discharge or if I did it is Lost or mislaid.

The 1 Interrogatory from the department where were you born

Answer 1 I was born in the State of Virginia on the 9 day of December 1759 but do not recollect in what County I Left There win [when] verry [very] young for York County South Carolina

The 2 Interrogatory hav [have] you any record of your age if so whire [where] is it

Answer 2 I have none in Judge of my age but what my friends have Told me

Third where were you living when called into the Service where have you lived since the Revolution War and where do you know [now] live

Answer 3 I was living in York County South Carolina when I enlisted and after the War came to Georgia and now live in Jackson County Georgia

Fourth Interrogatory How ware [were] you called into the Service were you drafted did you volenter [volunteer] or were you a Substitute and if a Substitute for hoom [whom];

Answer 4 I entered The Service by inlisting

Fifth Interrogatory State Some of the regular officers who were with Troops where you Served such Continental and malitia [militia] regiments as you can recollect and the General Scircumstances [circumstances] of yours Service

Answer 5 General Greene was the only regular officer That I know to be such whether Colonel Jack was a regular officer I do not know

Sixt [sixth] Interrogatory Did you ever reciv [receive] a discharge from the Service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it

Answer 6 Interrogatory I do not believe I ever received a discharge in if did it is lost or mis Layed [mislaid]—

Georgia, Jackson County

Personally came before me one of the Justices of the Inferior Court Levi Lowrey³ who being duly sworn Deposeth & saith that he is Acquainted of Charles Gunter who is the within Applicant & that his first Acquaintance with said Applicant was at fort Rutledge South Carolina whear [where] I saw him in the service of the United States under Benjamin Tutt Captain Richard Tutt first Lieutenant Thomas Farrow 2nd Lieutenant James Huggins Ensign Nicholas Glosere Sergeant Major & Michael Shavers first Sergeant Sworn to & Subscribed this 6th day of

³ [Levi Lowrey W8091](#)

November 1832.

S/ Robt. Smithwick, JIC

S/ Levi Lowrey



Seventh Interrogatory State Some of the person to whom you are known in your neighborhood and who can Testify as to your Character for varassity [veracity] and There [their] belief of your Services as a Solgir [soldier] of the Revolution

Answer 7 Middleton Brooks Edward Story Valentine Harlan Levi Lowry James Liddell Bolin Lense—

This declarant Served 3 years and upwards and that regular and minute Service besides what Time I Served under Captain Isaac Gray and Lewis Sexton of the Militia I have no documentary evidence by which to establish my claim nor do I know any person whose Testimony I can procure war who can Testify to That Service only The annexed affidavit I have no claim whatever except The preasent [present] to any pension or annuity and my name is not upon the pension role [roll] of any State Agency.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year afforesaid [aforesaid]

S/ Joseph Hampton, JIC

S/ Charles Gunter, X his mark

[John Randolph & Joseph T. Cunningham gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 11: On December 1, 1853, in Jackson County, Ga., Elizabeth Gunter, filed for a widow's pension stating that she was the widow of Charles Gunter; that he was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month for his revolutionary services; that he died November 23, 1851 in Jackson County Georgia; that she married him on July 16, 1813. She signed her application with her mark.]

[P 90: On July 5, 1853 in Hall County Georgia, Margarit Dunigan [signed her name Marget Dunagin] gave testimony that she was well acquainted with Elizabeth and Charles Gunter; that she was at their wedding some 40 or 45 years ago; that since their wedding they lived together as man and wife until Charles died; that the widow had remained a widow since the death of her husband.



[p 98: On November 27, 1858 in Jackson County Georgia, Maregrett Dunigan of Hall County Georgia gave testimony that she was present at the marriage of Charles and Elizabeth Gunter in the year 1813; this document was signed by making her mark next to her name spelled "Margret Dunnagan."]

[P 14: In 1855 in Jackson County Georgia, the widow, 71 years old, made application for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner. She signed this document with her mark.]

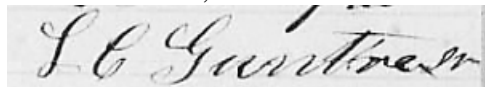
[p 185: On November 26, 1867 in Jackson County Georgia, the widow, aged 86, made

application for the restoration of her pension benefits following the termination of the American Civil War

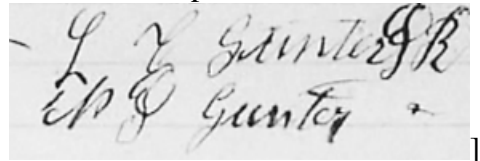
[P 45: Finding by the clerk of court of Jackson County Georgia that the widow died about June 12, 1868 in Jackson County Georgia.]

[p 195: On October 3, 1875 in Jackson County Georgia, Levi C. Gunter filed a document in which he states he is the legal heir of Charles Gunter and Elizabeth Gunter, both deceased pensioners of the United States. He seeks to recover the arrears of pension due you Elizabeth Gunter. He appears to have signed this document as follows:

S/ L. C. Gunter, Jr.



His relationship, if any, to the veteran or his widow is not stated. The signature of Levi C. Gunter is attested by L. C. Gunter Sr and N. J. Gunter, whose relationship to the veteran and/or his widow likewise is not stated. It is stated, however, that neither of these witnesses has an interest in the prosecution of the claim



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 2 years service in the Georgia militia and South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁴ relating to Charles Gunter pp4
Audited Account No. 3181

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[No.] 480 [Book] S

Mr. Charles Gunter his account of Militia duty as private since the reduction of Charlestown [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency	£15.0.0
Stg. [Sterling]	£2.2.10 ¼

Ex^d. T. W. [Examined by T. W. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

[p 3 (and retake on page 4 but less legible)]

⁴ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

State of South Carolina

to Charles Gunter

duty per Col. Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] return [not extant] Currency

Stg.

Dr.

£15

£2.2.10 ¼