## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Pendleton Isbell W5308 Margaret fn39VA

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The State of South Carolina }

Greenville District } Personally appeared Pendleton Isbell of the District of Pendleton and State Aforesaid before me Waddy Thomson one of the judges of the Court of Equity for the said State and made oath that in the autumn of the year 1775 he enlisted as a private soldier in the Army of the United States in the Company of Captain Robert Ballard of the first Virginia Regiment in the Virginia line for one year. That he served in the said Company Regiment and Line about three months when he reenlisted for three years and served in the same Company Regiment and Line for the year and was afterwards detached to form a guard for General Washington in which guard he served under Captain Caleb Gibbs until he was regularly discharged in 1779. And that his discharge is lost. He says that he is unable at this time to offer any additional evidence. That most of the persons cognizant of the facts are dead and those who may be living are widely dispersed and none reside near him. He further states that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his County for support. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th May 1818 his

W. Thompson

Pendleton Isbell, X his mark

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## Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the pension law of the United States passed in February A.D. 1853.

State of South Carolina }

District of Pickens } On this the 1st day of November A.D. 1853 personally appeared before me W. J. Parsons Judge of the County of ordinary in and for the District and State aforesaid Mrs. Margaret Isbell a resident of State and District aforesaid aged bout eighty 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 the \_\_\_\_\_ day of February 1853 - that she is the widow of Pendleton Isbell Sen. Who was a private in the war of the revolution of the United States. That as she was not then married to him she cannot state anything of consequence as to his services. Although she has repeatedly heard him speak of his services. The most important knowledge is her possession in regard to the matter is that he drew a pension of ninety six Dollars per annum and had the reputation of having faithfully served his country in the war of the revolution, which she verily believes to be true. She further states that she was

married to the said Pendleton Isbell in Anderson District and near where she now resides by Robert Holland Esq. in the month of March 1828 in what was then Pendleton District now Anderson District. That she was at that time, Pendleton Isbell as his wife from the time of said marriage till the day of his death which took place in March 1929 -- that she is now a widow and has so remained ever since the death of the said Pendleton Isbell and that she has made no other application for a pension but the present. She hopes his declaration and testimony will suffice as to his services -- she also surrenders herewith the original certificate given by the secretary of war to her husband, the possession of which she submits strong evidence that she is the widow of the late Pendleton Isbell.

Sworn to and Subscribed } Before me the day and }

her Margaret X Isbell mark

O.H. P. Faut

W. J. Parsons Judge of the Court of Ordinary P.D.

I W. J. Parsons Judge of the court of Ordinary of in and for the District and State aforesaid and keeper of the seal of the said Court do herby certify that Margaret Isbell the above declarant whose genuine signature appears by her mark witnessed by O. H. P. Fant is from her appearance of the age stated in her declaration and I am fully satisfied as to the truth of all her statements. Given under my hand and seal of at Pickens Court House this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November A.D. 1853.

[fn p. 11] State of South Carolina }

Pickens District } On this 6th day of August A.D. One Thousand eight hundred and fifty five personally appeared before me a Notary Public in and for the District and State aforesaid Margaret Isbell aged about 81 years a resident of said District and State who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of Pendleton Isbell deceased who was a private in the Revolutionary War. That she made application for a pension for the services of said soldier under the act of 3<sup>rd</sup> of February 1853 and received a Pension Certificate of which I certify the following is a true copy. Department of the Interior Widows Claims.

I certify that in conformity with the 2nd Section of the Act of February the 3rd 1853 Margaret Isbell widow of Pendleton Isbell who was a private in the Revolutionary War is inscribed on the pension list at the rate of Eighty dollars per annum commencing on the 3rd of February 1853 and continuing for life unless she should again marry in which case the Pension is not payable after the time of such marriage.

Given at the Department of the Interior
This fifteenth day of December one ThouSand eight hundred and fifty three.

Examined
Countersigned R. McClelland
L. P. Waldo Secretary of the Interior
Commissioner of Pensions
(3222)

That she has not intermarried but continues the widow of the above mentioned Pendleton Isbell.

That she now resides in Pickens District and has resided there for the space of thirty years past. She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved the 3rd day of March 1855. And as to proof of her marriage to the said soldier his death or any other evidence necessary not herewith furnished she refers to such proof furnished in her former declaration for a pension. To the truth of such statements I am fully satisfied.

Her Margaret X Isbell Mark

We John Keese and G. S. Keese residents of Pickens District in the State of South Carolina upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by Margaret Isbell in our presence and that we believe from the appearance and statements of this applicant that she is the identical person she represents herself to be. That we knew the said soldier in his lifetime and that he and the applicant lived together as husband wife and was so reputed.

John Keese

G. S. Keese

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written and I certify that I know the applicants to be credible persons that the claimant is the person she represents herself to be and that I have no interest in this claim.

Wm Hunt Not. Public

Please return to Wm Hunt Fair Play South Carolina Pickens District

[fn. p. 5] South Carolina }

Pendleton District } Personally appeared before me Jonathan Pickerell Magistrate in and for the State and District aforesaid Robert Holland who being duly sworn says on oath that he whilst acting as a magistrate several years ago published the bans of marriage between Margaret Lawhon now Margaret Isbell the present applicant for a pension, and united them according to law in wedlock and that the said Pendleton Isbell and Margaret lived together from the time of their marriage till the day of his death as man and wife. That they were so reputed in the neighborhood, and to the best of his knowledge the said Pendleton Isbell was kindly treated by his wife Margaret all the time they lived together. He does not recollect the date of the said Pendleton Isbell's wife marriage or the date of his death.

Sworn to before me the 14th day of November 1858.

Jonathan Pickerell }

Robert Holland

M.A.C. }

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 20th 1818 for 3 years service in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing February 3rd, 1853.]

## Addendum to **Pendleton Isbell W5308**

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to Pendleton Isbell Audited Account No. 3957.5A

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The petition of Pendleton Isbell praying to be placed upon the pension list Pensions Rejected

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To the Honorable the President & Members of the Senate
The Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of South Carolina
The Petition of Pendleton Isbell
Humbly Sheweth

That your petitioner has lived about Forty year[s] in this District, that he is now Seventy one Years of age, that for two years last past he has been severely afflicted with the Rheumatick pains so much so as to be unable to work or otherwise provide for his family and that he has not sufficient property to keep them from suffering that his wife is Sixty nine years of age and extremely infirm of that age, therefore prays your Honourable body to grant him such Relief as in your Wisdom you may think proper as in duty bound your petitioner will ever pray

S/ Pendleton Isbell

We do certify the above statement to be given under our hands this 11<sup>th</sup> November 1826

S/ Samuel Earle

S/ Jonathan Reeder [?]

S/ Frederick Moss

S/ Benjamin Megee

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[p 4] John Burton's Sotificate for P. Isbell

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <a href="http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/">http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/</a>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the <a href="Just take me to the search page">Just take me to the search page</a> link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The "SC" file number shown on this transcript has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number. 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.

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Georgia Franklin County} Personally came John Burton Senior before me & after being duly Sworn deposeth & saith that he was acquainted with Pendleton Isbell in the Revolutionary war and that he knew him to be a active Solger [soldier] in the case of [undeciphered word]<sup>2</sup> he further States that he was in the battle of Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] he also was Captin [Captain] of a company in the War and was sometimes [undeciphered word]<sup>3</sup> & I believe him to be respected as such

Sworn to & Subscribed, before me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1826 S/ Joseph Chandler, JIC

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Report of Committee on pensions on the petition of Pendleton Isbell against not to Senate

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The Committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of Pendleton Isbell praying to be placed on the pension list

Respectfully Report

That they have had the same under consideration and recommend to this house that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted

December 1826

John McComb, Chairman

[p 8: Notwithstanding the above, this page contains two receipts evidencing the disbursement of \$60 per annum to Pendleton Isbell as an annuity on May 29, 1828 and May 28, 1829.]

John Barton R12277
William Guest W21239