Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Lowry W8060 Sarah fn43NC
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State of Georgia, Gilmer County: On this 25th day of May 1852 Personally appeared before me Peter Patterson one of the Justices of the Inferior Court of said County and State Sarah Lowery who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Laws of the United States which had been or may be enacted for the relief of widows of the Soldiers of the Revolutionary War that, to the best of her belief and knowledge she was born on the 24th day of February 1763 and that she has now completed her eighty ninth year, that her birth as she believes took place in the State of New Jersey (or as it was then called (The Jerseys) the County not recollected) that when she was, a mere child her Father removed to Chatham County North Carolina, from thence she with her Father removed to Rowan County North Carolina in which last mentioned County and State she was married to Thomas Lowry on the 3rd day of December 1786 by Brandon JP & thinks his Christian name was James. That her husband the said Thomas Lowry had served as a Soldier in the Revolutionary war, a Private she believes, and he might have been possibly a non-commissioned or a commissioned officer. She was personally and intimately acquainted with her husband the said Thomas Lowry for four or five years before her marriage with him and that she knows he did serve in such war two years & upwards, he served on to Towers [sic, tours], that he was absent six months at each time and at several other times he was with the Army from one to three months at a time. The only facts that she knows positively is that he did actually serve at the time above specified, and was with and served under some of the following named officers. She thinks Captains Dothey or Dorsey, Penney, Captain or Colonel Grimes. She has heard him speak of being with and knowing the following officers General Greene -- General or Colonel Rutherford Colonel Locke Colonel Washington. She has heard him speak of often of being at the battles of the Eutaw Springs, Cowpens, Guilford Court House, and at Baities Ford [sic, Beatties Ford] on the Catawba [River], and on occasion the British got into a house & that several of the Americans was killed before they could get the British out, but in consequence of extreme old age and failure of memory she cannot, recollect and has forgotten many circumstances that might throw light on the Subject. That her husband the aforesaid Thomas Lowry died on the 17th day of December 1835. She knows of no living witness of her husband's services nor of any record evidence of the same nor does she know of any evidence of her marriage except the family Record which was last in the possession of a Mr. Ransom of Paulding County, Georgia, and the

said family Record was in the hand writing of her husband the said Thomas Lowry, and one Tax Receipt and one other instrument therewith. That her husband with his family removed from Rowan County North Carolina to York District South Carolina lived there until March 1799 thence removed to Rutherford County North Carolina lived there one year, in March 1800 removed to Lincoln County North Carolina lived there forty-five years, in March 1845, removed to Gilmer County State of Georgia where she now lives and has lived ever since and that she has not intermarried but still remains the widow of the said Thomas Lowry and further this Declarant, saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written. S/ Peter Patterson, JIC

S/ Sarah Lowry, X her mark

[fn p. 7: abstract of a marriage license dated 178_ issued in Rowan County for the marriage of Thomas Lowery to Sarah Richardson.]

[Widow was pensioned at the rate of \$21.12 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848.]