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South Carolina

John Bird

Lieut<sup>Col</sup>

of <sup>War</sup> ~~War~~

South Carolina

In the army of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

Inscribed on the Roll of South Carolina  
at the rate of 20 Dollars per month, to commence on  
the 7th of July 1815.

Certificate of Pension issued the 8 of Jan 1819  
and delivered to himself

to 4th of Sept 1819 38.98  
and all acc ending 4th Mar 1819 120.00  
27 31 4 30 158.98

Revolutionary claim,  
Act 28th March, 1818.

Duplicate certificate  
of John Bird 1819

Approved for  
J. M. W. 1819

State of South Carolina

Before me David Jones one  
one of the associate Judges of the said state  
personally appeared Capt. John Bond who made  
the following Declaration on oath pertinent to  
the acts of Congress of the United States entitled  
"An act to provide for certain persons engaged  
in the land & naval service of the United States  
during the Revolutionary War". That  
he entered the land service of the United States in  
the war of the Revolution as a private soldier  
in a company commanded by Capt. George Wadley  
in the 6th Regt. Commanded by Col. William Henderson  
the precise time of which is not recollected by  
but he believes in the year 1776 or 1777. That he  
in that Regt. for about two years & was then  
to the 1st Continental Regt. of South Carolina Col. Charles  
B. Pinckney attached to the Company of that Regt.  
Commanded by Capt. ———— Turner. That in this Company  
he acted as Surgeon for some time and was  
formally appointed and Commissioned Adjutant  
of the Regiment with the rank of Lieutenant &  
remained in that Regt. in that Character until  
as well as is recollected about the year 1780 when  
he resigned his Commission and that shortly  
after he joined the Brigade of State Troops  
Commanded by Genl. Sumpter  
in the Character of Lieut. with which he remained  
until near the close of the war.

The deponent further saith that the several

Commissions which he held during the war has  
been lost by time or accident, so that he has been  
not able to produce, and that he received three  
gun shot wounds in the legs of Chickasaw  
and Savannah.

The Declarer further states he is now in his  
fifty ninth year of age and that on account  
of his reduced circumstances, his age and  
bodily infirmities he needs the assistance of  
his country for the support of himself and  
family.

John Bowd

I do hereby certify that John Bowd admitted the foregoing  
declarations on oath before me  
at Union Point Miss this 7<sup>th</sup>  
day of July 1818.

David Johnson

South Carolina }  
Walter District }

On the Twenty third day of March last thousand  
eight hundred and twenty one personally appeared  
in open Court being a Court of Record expressing  
unlimited Jurisdiction in both civil and criminal Cases  
John Bud agent fifty four resident in the  
District in the State aforesaid who being first duly  
sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that  
he served in the Revolutionary War as follows that  
he enlisted as a Sergeant in 1776 in the 6th Regiment of the  
South Carolina Continental Line commanded by Colonel  
Fleming for three years in the company commanded by Capt  
Warley and was afterwards transferred to the first Regiment  
of the same Line commanded by Colonel Pickens in  
Captain Trices Company in which he was promoted to an  
adjutant with rank of lieutenant and that he has received  
a pension under a certificate No. 5244 from the War Department  
and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident  
Citizen of the United States on the eighteenth  
day of March one thousand eight hundred and  
eighteen and that I have not since that time  
by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my pro-  
perty or any part thereof with intent thereby to  
deny or evade it as to being myself within the pro-  
vision of an Act of Congress entitled An Act to  
provide for certain persons engaged in the Land  
and Naval Service of the United States in the  
Revolutionary War passed on the 18th day of March  
1818 and that I have not now nor has any person in trust  
for me any property or securities cash or debt

due to me nor have I any income other than what  
is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and  
by me subscribed, W<sup>m</sup>

1 bed and furniture valued at - - \$15.00

1 pot - - - - - 2.50

1/2 dozen of plates - - - - - 1.00

1 set knives and forks - - - - - 1.50

1 clock for Capt & Service - - - - - 1.50

60 acres of land, (in debt heretofore) 220.00

\$141.50

That the family residing with him consist of  
a Wife Elizabeth aged about fifty years, very  
infirm and not able to support herself.

I am in open court

John W. W.

before me

Alvin Nott

I, Alvin Nott, one of the judges of the superior  
courts of law of the State of South Carolina do hereby  
certify that it is my opinion the real amount  
of the value of the property contained in the above  
schedule does not exceed one hundred and fifty  
dollars -

Alvin Nott

March 23<sup>d</sup> 1827

Declaration of Anna C. Smith  
daughter of Capt John Bird dec (who  
was a soldier of the Revolution) in order to  
obtain for herself and the other surviving  
children of the said Capt John Bird dec  
(if alive) the benefit of the act of Congress  
of the 1<sup>st</sup> June 1832

State of the Carolina  
Union District S. S.

On this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1841  
personally appeared before the Court of Ordinary  
for the said District Anna C. Smith, a  
resident of the District of Union in the state  
aforesaid, who on being just duly sworn upon  
the holy evangelists of Almighty God depose &  
say, that she is the daughter of the  
above named Capt John Bird dec. whom she  
is informed & believes was a soldier of the Revolution  
under the Pension of Sustenance of July 1804  
per annum under the act of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March  
1818. That she was informed long before the  
death of her said father (which took place on  
the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 1818) that he was  
entitled to an increase of Pension under the  
act of Congress passed the 1<sup>st</sup> June 1832, and  
made an attempt to obtain it, but owing to his  
being entirely blind for several years previous  
to his death, he was unable to travel about  
to obtain it or attend to it, and it was therefore  
neglected. This document further states that  
at the time of the death of her father the said  
Capt John Bird dec. he left no widow, his  
wife, the mother of this deponent having died

Many years before, but that she left the following children, to wit: This deponent aged about fifty six years & residents in the said District of Union, Sally Bird, now the widow of James Carr, aged about sixty years, living when last heard from down here in the State of Mississippi, the County unknown, a son Henry C Bird aged about fifty four years, not heard from for some years, but when last heard from said to be living in Texas Catharine Bird, now Mrs Francis aged about fifty one years and when last heard from living in the State of Alabama, County not known - James C Bird aged about forty six years, living when last heard from in the State of Alabama, County not known

It having been some years since the above named letters and letters of this deponent were heard from with any certainty although she has made efforts to hear from them, she does not know whether they are alive or not.

The said John Bird dec'd had one other son whose name was John Bird but who died many years before his father and left five children, the survivors of these children if any at the death of the said Capt John Bird are reside or deponent is informed somewhere in the far West - but she cannot state anything more definite in regard to them.

This deponent deems it unnecessary to say anything in regard to the Revolutionary Services of her father. She refers to the Evidence now on the files of the War Department upon which the said John Bird



was placed upon the Pension Roll under the  
act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832, her rights  
may not be withheld, but rendered to her according  
to Law. She further states, that she has  
always understood that her father did not  
resign in 1781 but that he was taken prisoner  
by the British in 1781, and begs that she  
be permitted to offer proof upon this subject  
with the view to secure the accumulation of  
Pension Fund to which she has been led to look  
her said father was entitled. If however  
her father has stated in his declaration that  
he did resign in 1781, she admits that is conclusive  
but begs that his declaration be re-examined  
upon that subject.

On a further long dependent with

sub.

Shewn to & subscribed  
Before me in open Court  
this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
April 1846

} Anna C. Smith

State of South Carolina  
Union District 3<sup>rd</sup> SS.

Capt. John H. Smith states on  
Oath that he knows from his own knowledge that  
Capt. John Park is Revolutionary Pensioner of  
the United States dead at the time stated  
in the above affidavit or declaration of  
Anna C. Smith. He also knows of his own

State of South Carolina  
Union District

On this thirteenth day of June  
A.D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty  
three personally appeared before the undersigned  
a Magistrate for the District and  
State aforesaid Nancy Sharpe wife of  
John Sharpe a resident of the same  
District & State aforesaid who after being  
duly sworn according to law on her oath  
doth make the following declaration in  
own & obtain the benefit of the provision  
made by any law of the United States allowing  
the pension annuity of Pension Commutation  
pay or bounty fund as per act of law of  
Lieutenant John Bird who was a Revolution  
ary pensioner at the rate of two hundred  
forty dollars a year and on the South  
Carolina Pension Roll. That she is in-

formed and believes she is entitled to draw  
from the United States under existing  
laws annuity of Pension & increased Pension  
and also Commutation pay & bounty  
fund due to her grand father the said  
Lieut John Bird and not drawn nor  
received by him in his lifetime. That she  
is one of four sisters still living children  
of John Bird <sup>who</sup> was a son of the  
said Lieut John Bird deceased. That  
her father John Bird died in the  
year eighteen hundred & twenty eight or  
nine and prior to the death of her  
grand father the said Lieut John Bird  
that her grand father the said Lieut John  
Bird died in Union District & State aforesaid  
and some time in the year eighteen

Hundred and forty five that she is not entitled  
the said Lieut. John Bird left any children living  
moving as all of them had removed from this  
State prior before his death she refers to the  
person rolls and assumed affidavits for  
proof of her claims and her relations to  
the said Lieut. John Bird deceased

Nancy Sharp

Sworn and subscribed before me  
the day and year above written

B. F. Mott

State of Iowa (Carroll)  
Union District

Magistrate

On this thirteenth day of June  
ad one thousand eight hundred and fifty  
seven personally appeared before me Joseph  
Hughes a resident of the District & State  
aforesaid who after being duly sworn  
according to law depose and say that he  
is well acquainted with Mrs Nancy Sharpe  
whose name appears to the foregoing  
Declaration that he knows positively that  
the said Nancy Sharpe is a grand child  
of Lieutenant John Bird deceased; that  
he was well acquainted with Lieut. John  
Bird & his son John Bird father of the said  
Nancy Sharpe that the said John Bird or  
Morris Dependants sister and did as de-  
pendant believe in the year eighteen hundred  
twenty eight and that the said Lieutenant  
John Bird died about the time stated in  
the year one thousand above Declaration  
of Mrs Nancy Sharpe at the same time

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Bureau of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.,

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In reply to your request of \_\_\_\_\_ received \_\_\_\_\_  
 for a statement of the military history of John B. ...  
 a soldier of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired  
 information as contained in his (or his widow's) application for pen-  
 sion on file in this Bureau.

DATES OF ENLISTMENT OR APPOINTMENT	LENGTH OF SERVICE	RANK	OFFICERS UNDER WHOM SERVICE WAS RENDERED		STATE
			CAPTAIN	COLONEL	
1776	3 yrs	Private	George Hartman	William ...	NY
Then transferred to ...		Sgt.	...	...	
acted as the adjutant of ...					
Sept. 1780					

Battles engaged in, Sullivan's campaign on the Catawba, Kings Mt., etc.

Residence of soldier at enlistment, NY State

Date of application for pension, July 7, 1819 - Rev. ...

Residence at date of application, ...

Age at date of application, 58 yrs. - Was given ...

Remarks: ...

Very respectfully,