

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Dickinson (Dickerson) R2940    Nancy Dickinson    VA  
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State of Virginia.

At a Court of month Session held for the County of Louisa at the Courthouse thereof on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 1854.

The Declaration of Nancy Dickinson (Widow of Charles Dickinson a Soldier of the Revolution) made in order to obtain her dues as such from the Government of the United States, and certified by the Court with the individual signatures of the setting Justices, after an examination of the said Nancy Dickinson and sundry respectable Witnesses in open Court, is ordered to be filed and considered as recorded – which Declaration &c are in the words and figures following, to wit:

“State of Virginia. County of Leweser. We the undersigned Justices of the peace in and for said County duly authorised by Law to administer oaths and take acknowledgements before us came Nancy Dickenson and states that she is a widow of the Identical Charles Dickenson who was a Private soldier in the war of the Revolution in the state and continental line of the State of Virginia and that the said Nancy Dickenson further declares that she was married to said Charles Dickerson about the year 1786 and that the said Charles Dickenson departed this life about the year 1822 March 24<sup>th</sup> leaving the following named children Jane Gunter, Griffith C. Dickinson, Ralph S. Dickinson, Mary C Smith, Martha L. Whitlock, Robert Pollard Dickerson, Adelia H. Trice, Charles M. Dickerson, & Nancy A. Robertson and that the said Nancy Dickerson ferther declares that she has remained a widow ever since the death of her husband that she makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefites of the provisions of the acts of Congress approved and that her husband served in the forces of the state of Virginia and in the manner hereinafter set forth and discribed Viz that he first entered the Revolutionary service on or about the [blank] day of [blank] 177 , as a private under Capt [blank] in Col. [blank]s regiment.

That she hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pention or annuity except the present & declares that her name is not on the pention rolls of the Agency of any state

As witness my hand and seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 1854

sworn to and subscribed before us the	}	Nancy herXmark Dickerson
County Court of Louisa State of Virga	}	Ach’d. Anderson Presiding Justice J.P.
	}	Jos. D. Campbell J.P.
	}	Wm. O. Harris J.P.
	}	Ro. H. Isbell JP

We the Justices of the County Court of Louisa held on 2<sup>d</sup> Monday of May 1854 in the State of Virginia residing in the said County do hereby certify that we have seen & conversed with Nancy Dickerson who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration that we believe her to be 90 years old that she is reputed and believed in the neighbourhood where she resides to be the widow of a soldier or officer of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion and that the said Court do hereby declare there opinion after the investigation of the case that the above named applicant is a widow of a Revolutionary soldier the said Nancy Dickerson this day appoints James Dabbs or his attorney to examine all papers filed in Department of government upon which a claim is coming to Charles Dickerson a Revolutionary soldier to make use of her name to receive any and all certificates of that may be due to her husband Charles Dickerson for his services in the Revolutionary war and she hereby revokes any and all powers of attorney that she may have given to any other person for the above specified purpose and we Justice of the County Court certify that Nancy Dickerson is a respectable person residing in Louisa County State of Virginia and that her statements are entitled to full credit and that she is the identical individual represented.

State of Virginia }  
Louisa County } S.S.

Be it known that before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace duly authorized by Law to administer oaths within & for the County aforesaid personally appeared Nancy Dickinson a resident of the State of Virginia & the County of Louisa Aged 90 years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> July 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay & pensions to Certain widows." that she is the widow of Lieutenant Charles Dickinson a Revolutionary Officer who served during the Revolutionary War. As to the service in the war she knows nothing of her own knowledge, except that she knows that he was absent upwards of four years during said War. And she further states that after his return she frequently heard him say that he was in various battles, particularly the battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777]. She further declares that she was married to said Lieutenant Charles Dickinson in about the year one thousand seven hundred & eighty nine and that her husband the said Charles Dickinson died on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 1816. that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1794 Viz: at the time above stated. She further declares that she is now a Widow & that she has never before made any application for a Pension [20 Oct 1854]

Nancy herXmark Dickinson

[Certified by Mary Gunter, 64, John Hester, 70, and Garland Sims, 62, son of V. Sims. Mary Gunter also stated "that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1816 the said V. Sims was at her house shoemaking & left her house on that day to go & assist in digging the grave of Lieutenant Charles Dickinson."]

NOTE: The file includes the following copy of a minister's return: "I hereby Sertify that I reformed the right of matrimony between Charles Dickerson & Ann Sandridge. Given under my hand this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1790. H. Goodloe"