

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Anthony Gabeau W21170 Elizabeth Gabeau f25SC  
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State of South Carolina, District of Charleston

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1838 personally appeared before the Honorable Thomas Lee United States Judge for the District of South Carolina City of Charleston Mrs. Elizabeth Gadeau a resident of said city aged Eighty-three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to be entitled to the benefit of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Section of the act of Congress of 4<sup>th</sup> July 1836. That she is the widow of Anthony Gadeau who was a volunteer Soldier during the War of the revolution and served in the South Carolina militia for two years with the rank of Sergeant to wit, that he about the year 1776 enrolled himself in a Corps called the true Blues, and that in the year 1778, she this Deponent knew him to be in the same and continued so until the fall of Charleston in 1780, that, the Corps was then commanded by Captain Greenwood [William Greenwood], and that during this period said Anthony Gadeau went on the expedition against Savannah in 1779, and to the other places which Deponent does not recollect, saith he served during the siege against the British and when the city [Charleston] fell [May 12, 1780] he was taken a prisoner of War while under arms, sick, for some time say for a year before the commencement of the Siege, he was almost constantly under arms, Saith she has no documents in relation to these services which she can produce, and that her memory fails her much and that these are all the particulars which she can relate to the best of her recollection saith that, in about a month or two after the surrender of the City, he was permitted to go see his family on parole, then living in the Country, and continued so a prisoner on parole until the period of the Evacuation [December 1782], Saith she was married to said Anthony Gadeau in the year 1778, and that her husband the said Anthony Gadeau died on be 10<sup>th</sup> of February 1829, and that she is now a widow, and has remained unmarried ever since that period, saith that she is now very feeble and health, and in low circumstances.

Sworn to before me the day and year of all the written and I further certify the credibility of the affiant.

S/ Elizabeth Gabeau



Sworn to before made this 17<sup>th</sup> April 1838  
S/ Thos. Lee, D. J.

[Burial register: Charleston Protestant Episcopal Domestic Missionary Society:  
"Anthony Gadeau – Age 71 years Died February 10, 1829" & "was buried February 11 1829, in the Yard of the French Protestant Church – service performed by Edward Phillips."]

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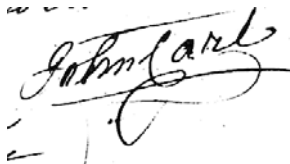
State of South Carolina, City of Charleston

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 1838, personally appeared before the undersigned, Mr John Cart<sup>1</sup> a resident of Charleston aged 77 years, & a revolutionary soldier, who being duly sworn, Deposeth that he was well acquainted with the late Anthony Gadeau deceased, during the War of the Revolution for he served in the same Corps with him, and has every reason to believe, & none whatever to doubt, that, the marriage with Elizabeth Gadeau, widow, the person now claiming a pension from Government, did take place to said Anthony Gadeau in the year 1778, and that, she is now his widow, and that, her statement therefore in relation to her being so married to said Anthony Gabeau in said year of 1778 is entitled to full and entire credence.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written.

S/ P. Cantwell, N. P.

S/ John Cart



[Mary Anthony, 76, the widow of John Anthony, a revolutionary pensioner, gave a supporting affidavit in 1838, relating to what she has heard her husband, John Anthony,<sup>2</sup> say on the subject of having served with Anthony Gabeau.

*Mary Anthony*

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[p 9: Certificate of C. E. Gadsden, Rector of Saint Phillips Church in Charleston South Carolina dated May 30, 1838 stating that the marriage of Anthony Gabeau and Elizabeth Henley is recorded in the parish register of Saint Philip Church as taking place on September 1, 1778.]

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State of South Carolina, City of Charleston

On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1838 Personally appeared before the undersigned Mr. Nicholas Cobia<sup>3</sup> a resident of Charleston aged Seventy-nine years who being duly sworn according to law, saith he is a revolutionary Pensioner, saith that he was acquainted with Anthony Gabeau before and during the War of the Revolution saith, said Anthony served as a volunteer soldier under arms against the British and for two years as this Deponent believes for he was occasionally seen by him during said period, saith, he cannot recall to his recollection in what particular Corps he served, but, believes it was in the Artillery, and it may be in the "blues" also, saith that at the time of the surrender of the city to the enemy he has heard and believes said Anthony Gabeau was taken a prisoner under arms, and saith that, having read the affidavit of his widow Mrs. Elizabeth Gabeau in relation to the services & marriage and death of said Anthony Gabeau he believes the same to be true, and that, they always maintained a respectable character.

Sworn to before me the day and year above written and I certify the credibility of the affiant.

S/ P. Cantwell, NP

S/ N. Cobia



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1 [John Cart S8139](#)

2 [John Anthony W21614](#)

3 [Nicholas Cobia W22843](#)

[The veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for her husband service as a private in the South Carolina service.]

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South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>4</sup> relating to Anthony Gabeau  
Audited Account No. 2625B

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The Honorable the Members of both Houses of the  
Legislature of South Carolina

Understanding there is provision made by Law for the Revolutionary Militia of this State, your Petitioner begs Leave to Solicit a Remuneration for his Services from the month of May 1776 to the month of May 1780 he was Corporal the first two years & the last two he was Sergeant. He has got his Captain to sign to his pretensions and also two Men who was in the Same Company Called the True Blues and for which relief your petitioner will ever pray

Anthony Gabeau

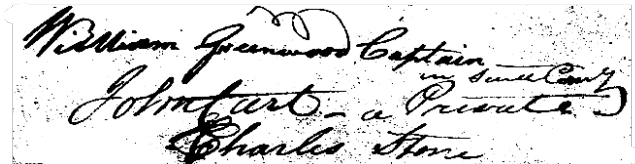


We the subscribers do certify that your petitioner Anthony Gabeau was some Years a non Commissioned Officer in the Company called true Blues Commanded by William Greenwood – Charleston 28<sup>th</sup> of November 1821

S/ William Greenwood Captain in said company

S/ John Cart – a Private

S/ Charles Stone



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To the Honourable the President & other Members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina  
The humble petition of Anthony Gabeau respectfully Sheweth

That your petitioner was enrolled as a noncommissioned officer of and in the Company of True blues while under the command of Roger Smith [Roger Moore Smith], William Greenwood, and William Lee and performed all the active duties incumbent on his office from the year 1776 to 1780, that he volunteered his services to go to Savannah, and was present at the siege of that place in October 1779, then holding the warrant of first Sergeant of the aforesaid Company; Your petitioner begs leave respectfully to state that he never preferred any claim for his Services either to the State or General Government; And nothing but dire necessity would have driven him to petition your Honourable body, for any remuneration, for his services: but he is old and poor, with a family of grandchildren to maintain, left by his sons who are all dead, And whom he has not the means to support, And if within the province of your Honourable body, to grant your petitioner any relief it will be gratefully

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<sup>4</sup> 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.

received and remembered.

And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c  
Charleston December 1<sup>st</sup> 1823

S/ A. Gabeau

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Copy of the original certificate transmitted to the city  
We the undersigned members of the Company of True Blues do certify that Anthony Gabeau was a noncommissioned officer of said company and during the time stated in the before written petition, And that he was at the siege of Savannah as stated  
Charleston December 1<sup>st</sup> 1823

(signed)

S/ Solomon Legare<sup>5</sup>

S/ John Card [sic, John Cart]

S/ Charles Stone<sup>6</sup>

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The Committee on claims to whom was referred the Petition of Anthony Gabeau praying compensation for Revolutionary Services, beg leave to report

That they have duly considered the same from which it appears that the Petitioner was a Sergeant in the Revolutionary War that he was in the service from 1776 to 1780. That he was at the Siege of Savannah in 1779, that he served bravely &c of these facts your Committee have no reason to doubt, but as he has not furnished your Committee with any Vouchers, by which they might ascertain what was actually due him – if anything – they feel themselves bound

Respectfully to recommend that the prayer of the Petitioner be not granted

December 15<sup>th</sup> 1823

S/ John K Griffin, Chairman

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The Special Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Anthony Gabeau praying remuneration for Revolutionary services, beg leave to Report, and respectfully recommend that the following Resolution be adopted –

Resolved that the Comptroller General be and he is hereby required to examine the Books in his office for auditing revolutionary claims and that he do report to the next Session of the Legislature, if any and what claims have been audited in favor of said Petitioner, also if any and what sums of money have been paid him on account of such claims.

S/ M J. Keith, Chairman

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The Committee on Claims to whom was Referred the Petitions of Anthony Gabeau and Charles Stone praying compensation for Revolutionary Services beg leave to report

That they have Minutely Examined into the Merits of the same from which it appears that the Petitioners did serve for four years as Volunteers in the Revolutionary War for which it appears they have Received no Compensation. But as your Committee are unable at this time to ascertain what amount is now actually do them. And being anxious to reward them for their Services Would respectfully recommend that the Petitioner's be placed on the Pension Roll

S/ John K Griffin, Chairman

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<sup>5</sup> Probably the man whose SC Audited Account folder is numbered 4501B but the contents of that folder are missing

<sup>6</sup> I could find no South Carolina Audited Account for this veteran.