

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Childress (Childers) W6666 Martha fn60NC
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Know all men by these presents that I William Childers of Lincoln County in the State of North Carolina have nominated constituted & appointed John Carruth of the County & State aforesaid my true & lawful attorney to asked for, demand & received from the Commissioners appointed to settle the unliquidated claims of said State all the pay due to me for my service performed in the Continental line of said State & in the nine months new levies service in the year 1778 & 1779 in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this day of August 1792

S/ John Moore, J P

S/ William Childers, X his mark

S/ Robert Alexander, JP

State of North Carolina Lincoln County: This day William Childers appeared before us & being sworn deposeth & saith that he was a soldier in the Continental line of this State in the nine months new levies service in the year 1778 & 1779 & that I served the full term of nine months the time he was engaged for and obtained his discharge, but has lost it. Sworn to this 10th August 1792.

S/ John Moore, J P

S/ William Childers, X his mark

S/ Robert Alexander, JP

Captain Philip Null made oath before us two of the Justices for the County of Lincoln and saith that he was acquainted with William Childers & knows that he was a Soldier in the southward in the nine months new levies & that he served his time & did not desert. Sworn before us this 10th day of August 1792

S/ Robert Alexander, JP

S/ Philip Null, Capt. [signed by scribe]

S/ John Moore, JP

[fn p. 7: family record]

William Childres was married to Martha Brown November 1st day 1788

Robin Brown Childress was born October 6th day in the year 1789

Solomon Childris was born February 18th day year 1791

Hetty Childris was born April 18th day year 1793

Rachel Childress was born October 1st day 1797

Nancy Childress was born February 27th day 1800
Rosa Childress was born April 1st Day 1802
John Childriss was born November the 27 day 1804
Barberry Childress was born July 15th day [illegible]

[fn p. 8: on March 9, 1846, in Cleveland County North Carolina, David Carpenter testified that the above family record is a true record of the family of William and Martha Childress and that the same is in the handwriting of Stephen Hornsby.]

[fn p. 9: on March 9, 1846 in Cleveland County North Carolina, Sarah Howard, 85, testified that she was well acquainted with William Childers prior to and since the revolutionary war and that she knew that he enlisted in Captain Sharp's company of the 10th Regiment of North Carolina on November 1, 1778 for the term of nine months and after the time them expired he returned home to his father's – that she lived a near neighbor to that family.]

[fn p. 11]

State of North Carolina Cleveland County: On this 17th day of October 1846 personally appeared before me Joseph Carroll one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for said County Sarah Childers who being first duly sworn according to law deposed and saith on oath that she is a sister to William Childers late of Cleveland County deceased whose heirs have made application for the pension which was due their deceased mother the aforesaid Martha Childers on the account of the services of her husband the aforesaid William Childers. That she the deponent knows from her own personal knowledge that her brother the aforesaid William Childers was a soldier in the Revolutionary war from the fact that he enlisted in the early part of the war, left home and was gone nine months and when he returned home, he said he had served out his term of duty and after he had been at home for some time she thinks about two years he again enlisted and left home for the Army was gone she thinks upwards of twelve months when he returned home said his tour [tour] of duty was out and that he said he was in the battle at the Eutaw Springs. She deponent does not know the year he went into service nor the time he left neither does she know the precise length of the last tour of duty but thinks her brother the aforesaid William Childers was gone in all about two years but cannot say positively. Sworn to and subscribed before me day and date first above written.

S/ Joseph Carroll, JP

S/ Sarah Childers, X her mark

[fn p. 15]

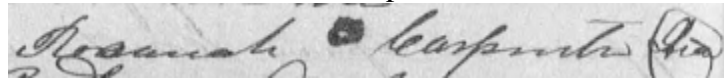
State of North Carolina Cleveland County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions February Session 1846

On this 11th day of February 1846 personally appeared in open Court Rosanna Carpenter & after being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the acts of Congress passed June 7, 1838 & 3 March 1843 Act of 7 July 1838 entitled an act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows. That she is the daughter & one of the heirs at law of Martha Childers (who was the widow of William Childers who was a private Soldier of the Revolutionary War and served as set forth in the certificate which accompanies this declaration. This Claimant further declares from the information that William Childers & Martha Childers her Father & Mother was married sometime in the year 1788 & that her Father William Childress died 18 day of October 1832 & that her mother Martha

Childers died on the 21st day of October 1844. This Claimant further declares that all the children or heirs at law of Martha Childress who survived her are as follows (viz.) Robert Childers a resident of Knox County Tennessee, Easter who intermarried with George Lowry a resident of Lincoln County North Carolina, Rachael who intermarried with Moses Dillinger a resident of Lincoln County North Carolina, Nancy who intermarried with William Howard a resident of Lincoln County North Carolina, Rosanna Carpenter who intermarried with David Carpenter, John Childers & Wiley Childers all of Lincoln County.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the day & year first above written.

Sworn to in open Court February 11th, 1846 S Rosannah Carpenter

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rosannah Carpenter". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted and fluid.

[fn p. 21: On August 23, 1847 in Lincoln County North Carolina, George Lowry made a claim for the pension due William Childers under the 1818 act stating that from after 1816, William Childers never owned property having a value exceeding \$200.]

[fn p. 33: pension certificate awarded to Rosannah Carpenter, Rachel Dilinger, Hester Lowry, Nancy Howard, Wilie Childress, John Childress and Robert Childress as the heirs of Martha Childress, widow of William Childress.]

[fn p. 53: on September 21, 1846 in Catawba County North Carolina, Mrs. Lydia C Childress (relationship, if any, to the veteran and/or his widow not stated) testified that she was well familiar with William Childress during the revolutionary war; that he served two tours in the North Carolina Continental line, she thinks one under Captain Sharp and another under Captain Raiford; in additions, she says that he served several tours in the North Carolina militia.]

[fn p. 35]

State of North Carolina Office of Secretary of State

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from a Book of Settlements of the accounts of the Officers and Soldiers of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that William Childers was allowed as one of the twelve months drafts in 1782, the sum of \$28.12.

Given under my hand this 13th day of July 1846

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

[fn p. 28]

State of North Carolina Office of Secretary of State

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from a Book of Settlements of the accounts of the Officers and Soldiers of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that William Childers a private in said line was allowed by a board of commissioners at Halifax and 1784, five, the sum of 41 pounds 15 shillings and one penny for services in said line.

Given under my hand this 13th day of July 1846

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

[fn p. 60: pension certificate dated June 2, 1847, awarding Rosanna Carpenter, Rachael Dillinger, Hester Lowry, Nancy Howard, Wiley Childers, John Childress and Robert Childress the

surviving children of William Childress, the pension due William Childress under the 1832 act for his service in the revolution.]

[Veteran's heirs were granted a pension at the rate of \$74 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending October first 1832, the date of his death; he is credited with having served 12 months as a Corporal and nine months as a private in the North Carolina Continental line. Widow's heirs were pensioned at the rate of \$74 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843 and ending October 1st 1844.]