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Paid at the Treasury in
the Act of the 16 April
from 4 March 1838 to 4 Sept
1838. age notified 10. June

To Mobile, from Tuscaloosa from
4th March 1842. May 20. 1842
Notification to Pensacola, Gaston
Sumner County. Ala

Oct. 10, 1849

7742
Alabama

Jesse Abbott

of Greene Co. in the State of Alabama
who was a Private in the Company commanded
by Captain Lewis. of the Regt. commanded
by Gen. Jones. in the N. Car. Mil.
for Fifteen months

Inscribed on the Roll of Alabama
at the rate of \$10. Dollars 00. Cents per annum
to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 26. day of Mar.
1833, and sent to J. Teator
Clerk. of Greene Co. Alabama
at Erie, P. O.
bears to the 4th of Mar. 1833. 100.
Semi-ant. allowance ending 4 Sept. 25.
1842.
\$ 125.00

{ Revolutionary Class, }
{ Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by Wm. J. Palmer Clerk
Book 6. Vol. 8, Page 43.

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(Jose Alsbrooks application)

1 Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832
The State of Alabama Greene County ss
On this 26th day of September 1832 personally appeared in
open court before Anderson Brinkham the Judge of the Circuit
court of said County of Greene & one sitting Jesse
Alsbrooks a resident of the County of Greene State of
Alabama aged about between seventy & seventy one years
who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath
make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the
act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 that he entered the service
of the United States & served as herein after stated
in 1780 or 1781, ^{as well as he recollects,} he entered the militia of North Carolina under
Captain ^{Levins} Brantley of Halifax County in North Carolina &
Isaac Harris was lieutenant of said company we marched to
Salisbury & remained there a while & were moved out a short
distance to a branch that we then called New Providence
where we remained stationed for the balance of our tour
he states that he was in no engagement that he recollects
during the time he was in the service as a militia man
he states that he entered with Drafted militia tho he was
a volunteer he recollects but few of the officers either of
the line or militia or volunteers, he recollects that his Capt
ain resigned & went home before the term expired this tour
took command the ensign's name was Pope, as he believes
this tour was for three months his regiment or Brigade was
as well as he recollects commanded by Jones called Gene-
ral Allen Jones & he thinks one Colonel Hart from Edge-
comb County & the militia joined the soldiers commanded
by one Sawell called as well as he recollects Colonel
Sawell & It seems to him now that General Butler was
with them some part of the time Butler he recollects was
a plain old man & wore a hunting shirt. some time after
he was discharged he enlisted as a regular soldier, ^{he does not recollect whether in the State or United States troops,} as
well as he now recollects on the 25th of April 1782 for
one year & entered the services as a regular under Capt.
Robert Rayford we generally called him Bob Rayford he was
a brave & good captain tho he was addicted to drink and
his Lieutenant was by the name of Dudley his

2 (See also Brooks's application)
ensign ~~He~~ ~~was~~ ~~not~~ ~~now~~ ~~recalled~~ ~~He~~ ~~thinks~~ ~~he~~ ~~resigned~~ ~~2~~
left the company for some reason, he was a small man
a Colonel Dickson commanded, & major ^{commanded} Armstrong, the
regiment to which he belonged as well as he now recollects
there were two of the armstrongs in the army that he knew
and one of them was called Colonel. he recollects there
were two regiments of regulars from North Carolina each
enlisted ^{about} the same time & called 12 months regulars the
two were together for ~~for~~ that time & he cannot so well
tell the officers who commanded each separate regiment
so well as he can tell who were in the command in the
two - he served in the first regiment from North
Carolina commanded ~~As~~ he thinks by the above regimental
officers General Sumner commanded both of these regiments
Among the officers of his acquaintance from North Carolina
in the above forces was a Col Little Major Dumahoe
Captains Sharp, Dickson, & Little in addition to those
above mentioned - Curtis Ivy was adjutant of the 1st
& Capt. Mr. Bush was adjutant of the 2nd Regiment
We met in small companies at the high hills of Santee,
& joined General Greene & were ^{then} regulated into compan-
ies Battalions & regiments. before we got to the high
hills of Santee we had a little skirmish with Tarleton
& Wallace across the river Roanoke at Halifax but the
only principle engagement of much note that he recol-
lects to have been in was at the Entaw Springs there; two
miles before we reached the place of the General eng-
agement we had a little fight between the horse on
each side just before the commencement Capt Rayford
& twenty four men of whom this applicant was one were
ordered by one Col. Armstrong to advance a head with
two field pieces & the officers belonging to the artillery, &
when we had advanced some distance in a run we dis-
covered an advanced party of the British post on our
left in ambush just ready to fire & at that moment
Captain Rayford commanded us to squat and as we
were in the act of doing so the British fired & killed
John McCoy & John Ruppel two of my mesmates at this

3 (See ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~applicant's~~ ^{applicant's} application) commanded by Marion & Pickens & ^{at} ^{the} ^{moment} we raised & fired & then our horse came in to our relief & cut that party of the British off the General engagement then soon commenced & lasted for some time when the British wounded Col Washington General Greene told Colonel Washington that day to keep out of the fight & save his men for a reserve as he this applicant was then laid but long before the battle ended Col Washington & his horse broke two or three times through the British lines & back but at last he was wounded the British rushed him into a big Brick house that they retreated to - In this engagement the Lieutenant of My company was ~~not~~ wounded this applicant & two others carried him of the field his leg was broken by a grape shot & he this applicant knows not whether he ever recovered He recollects that there were many Officers in the Army of the United States some from Virginia North & South Carolina & many other places - he recollects that General's Greene, Marion, Pickens & ~~Mc~~ ^{Mc} ~~think~~ ^{think} ~~th~~ th ~~er~~ ^{er} ~~th~~ th ~~ere~~ ^{ere} were Col. Campbell Williams & a Frenchman called Col. ~~de~~ ^{de} ~~Malmeday~~ ^{Malmeday} & there was a Colonel Lee who commanded a Troop of horsemen & Col. Washington who commanded as above mentioned a Troop of horse - Major ~~Ex~~ ^{Ex} ~~leston~~ ^{leston} & ~~th~~ th ~~ink~~ ^{ink} ~~th~~ th ~~ere~~ ^{ere} was a Col. Henderson there tho he is not very certain Captain Sharp of the 2nd Regiment had on that day twenty nine of his men killed of Captain Rayford's company there were but about 5 or 6 killed two of which is named above from this engagement we were marched back to the high hills of Laurens where we stayed for the most of the winter & in April of the year that Peace was made he was discharged as well as he recollects on the 15th day of April from thence he returned to his home in Halifax Co North Carolina where he was ^{born & raised} & where he resided until 18 or twenty years after the revolutionary war when he moved to Richmond County in North Carolina & settled on the East side of Pedee river & resided there for about eight years then removed to Anson County on the west side of Pedee where he resided for 6 or 7 years & from there in the year 1820 he removed to Greenville

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(Jesse Abobrook's application)
County Alabama & settled within three miles of Erie & 4
In the immediate neighborhood of Erie he has resided
ever since & he states that he does not know what be-
-came of his discharge he did not suppose it would be
of any use to him & took no care of it he does not
know by whom his discharge was written & signed he
recollects of his captain giving him some writings
he supposes it was a discharge. At the time he entered
an officer entered his name & description on some book
or roll & one height was taken under the standards
written down he supposed it was for the purpose of
describing us in case of Desertion. He states that he
does not know any one living who served with
him tho he knows ~~see~~ one Charles P. Coleman who he
believes was in the Battle at the Entane Springs
from various relations made by said Coleman to
him But he does not recollect any one by whom he
can prove his services in the war - & in answer to further
questions propounded by the court he states that
he has a register or record of his age & that he was
born on the 20th day of February 1762 that his father
or kept a record in his family bible & at his death
the family bible was purchased by this applicants
sister & that he took his age from that Bible &
recorded it ~~in~~ into his own - He states that he can prove
by James Deader, Obadiah Meador Charles P. Coleman
- an James Yeates & Isaac C. Snider & he think every
one in his neighborhood & in this Town would tes-
tify favorably of his character for veracity & give it
as their belief that he served as a soldier in the re-
volutionary war. He hereby relinquishes every claim
whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present
& declares that his name is not on the pension roll
of the agency of any State
sworn to & subscribed the day & date
aforesaid in open court
Jesse Abobrook
attest James Yeates Clerk.

No. 17561
 Jesse Alaborn
 Greene County
 Alabama

Admitted 15 months
 from 1781.

\$571.

James Yeates Clerk
 Greene County
 State of Alabama

Is his statement supported by living witnesses? No. Governmental bond. No. (Signature) Clerk of Court.

Where did he reside when he entered the service?

In what battles was he engaged?

Region: _____
 Duration of Service: _____
 Number of Battles: _____
 Name of Regiment and its Officers: _____

State his service as directed in the form annexed.

How old is he? 70 years

If before a Judge does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmities?

Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? Court

(Act 3rd June, 1835)

of _____ in the State of _____
 in the case of _____

BRIEF in the case of *Pepe Albrook*
County of Greene in the State of *Alabama*
 (Act 7th June, 1832.)

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *Court*
2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?
3. How old is he? *70 or 71 years*
4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

Period.	Duration of Service.			Rank.	Names of General and Field Officers under whom he served.
	Years,	Months,	Days.		
<i>Vol</i> In 1780 or 81		<i>3</i>		<i>Private</i>	<i>Gen. Capt. Lewis Brantley Gen. Allen Jones Capt. Robt. Rayford Co. Dickson. Major Armstrong</i>
<i>Enlisted</i> " 1782	<i>1</i>			<i>"</i>	

5. In what battles was he engaged? *Mormish (at Halifax), Cutaro Springs*
6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *Halifax County, North Carolina*
7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditionary evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *Traditionary*
8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect? ~~not for authentication~~
Correct

I Certify that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

Daniel D. Davidson Examining Clerk

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16.600
INVALID.

1920 Nov. 6 Mrs. F. D. DeHuff
that H^{rs} Back is referred to
Adpt. Sth C. Regt. in this claim
but no other data relative to him
on file.

File No. 16.655

Jesse Westbrook

Pvt New Mass

Act: June 7th 32

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[Arrangement of 1870.]

17 1830
Sape Alsobrooks. Alca. 7. June 1832. \$50.00. to
What time last paid.?

Censian Office
20. May 1843.

Paid to 4th March 1842. ~

[Signature]

17561

Jesse Alsobrook

For 3 applications

Pensions

(Jesse Alsbrooks's application) 5

The State of Alabama, James Ordew personally appeared
Greene County, read in open court & being duly
sworn according to law deposed & says that he
has been intimately acquainted with old Jesse Alsbrooks
who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration
for something over thirty years & that in all that time
he understood & believed & ^{now} understands & believes the said
Jesse Alsbrooks to have ~~been~~ ^{been} a ~~revolutionary~~ soldier
of the revolution war & it was always believed & he
never doubted in the neighborhood where said
Alsbrooks resided he further states that he always
maintained an excellent character for honesty & truth
whenever he resided & from depositions our acqu
aintance with said Jesse Alsbrooks & from his
General reputation in the neighborhood where he
resides he would give him undoubted faith & credit
on oath & he further deposes that he believes
said Alsbrooks to be seventy years of age
& has no doubt but that said Jesse Alsbrooks
has served in the revolution for all the time he
states

We James Monett a clergyman residing near said
Jesse Alsbrooks in the county of Greene & James Yeates
living in (the same) hereby certify that we are well
acquainted with Jesse Alsbrooks who has subscribed
& sworn to the above declaration; that we believe
him to be seventy years of age, that he is reputed and believed
in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of
the revolution & we concur in that opinion

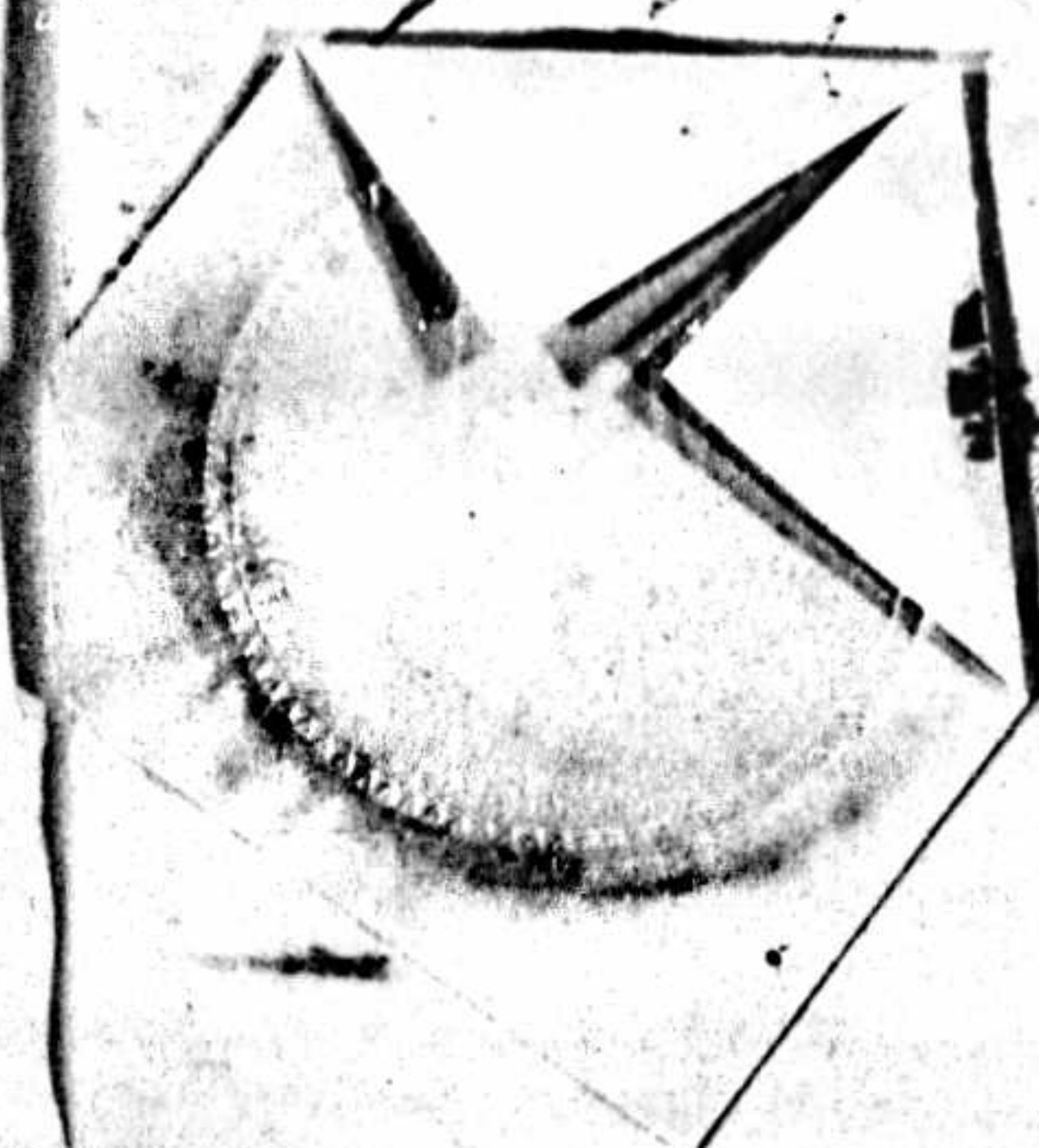
Sworn to & subscribed
the day & date aforesaid
in open court
at the Court James Yeates Clerk

James Monett
James Yeates

And the said court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter and after putting the interrogatories presented by the War Department that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier and served as he states And the court further certifies that it appears to them that James Mores who has signed the preceding certificate is a clergyman and resident of the County of Greene and that James Yeates who has also signed the same is a resident in the County of Greene and is credible person and that their statement deserves credit

Anderson Levenshaw
Judge presiding.

I James Yeates Clerk of the circuit court of the County of Greene aforesaid, do hereby certify, that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of said Court in the matter of the application of Lefe Alsobrook for a pension.



In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of my said office this 26th day of September in the year 1839.

James Yeates Clerk.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Second Comptroller's Office,

May 29th 1839.

Sir:

Under the act of the 6th of April, 1838, entitled "An act directing the transfer of money remaining unclaimed by certain Pensioners, and authorizing the payment of the same at the Treasury of the United States," Jesse Alsobrook, — a Pensioner on the Roll of the Mobile, Ala., Agency, at the rate of Fifty — Dollars and — Cents per annum, under the law of the 7th June 1832, has been paid at this Department, from the 4th of March, 1838, to the 2nd Sept., 1838.

Respectfully, yours,

Wm. H. Partridge
Comptroller.

To the Commissioner of Pensions,

Present.

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BRIEF objections to the admission of Pension Claims, of which those answered in the negative, in red ink, will apply to the claim of
Sepe Albrook
which require further proof or explanation.

XII. If the declarant's affidavit has not been produced, is there any reason assigned for not obtaining it?
I. Does the declaration show where the applicant resides? *yes*

XIII. If the applicant's name is not found on the rolls of military living witnesses, has he stated in his declaration that such proof cannot be had?
II. Did the declarant make the declaration in the county where he resides? *yes*

XIV. If the applicant has produced direct proof as to his service, or witnesses as to his service, has the magistrate who administered the oath assigned for his not doing so?
III. If the applicant did not make the declaration in the county where he resides, is there any reason assigned for his not doing so?

XV. Has the proper officer certified to the official character and signature of the magistrate as the certifier?
IV. Has the declarant mentioned the period or periods of the war when he served? *yes*

XVI. Does it appear from any of the papers that the witness has a personal knowledge of the applicant's service?
V. * Has he mentioned with precision the length of his service, and the different grades in which he served, in language so definite as to enable the department to determine to what amount of pension he is entitled? *yes*

XVII. Are the papers substantiated as the regulations direct?
VI. Has he given the names of the officers under whom he served, in conformity with the regulations? *yes*

XVIII. Are the seven interrogatories prescribed by the War Department and Act of June 7, 1832, answered?
VII. Has he made a relinquishment of every claim to any other pension than the one under the Act of June 7, 1832? *yes*

XIX. Has the Court given their opinion? *yes*

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

QUESTIONS V. In a case where the applicant cannot produce direct proof of his service, he should answer his declaration by making an affidavit in the following words: "Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace, &c. A. B. who being duly sworn, deposed and said, that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his belief, he served as a _____ in _____ months, and _____ days, I served as a _____ in _____ months, and _____ days, and for such service I claim a pension."

X. Is the Clerk's seal affixed? And if so, has it a device or inscription by which it can be distinguished from any other seal? *yes*

XI. Has the applicant obtained the evidence of a clergyman and another respectable citizen as to their belief respecting his age and the general belief in his neighborhood relative to his revolutionary service? *Yes*

Further proof or explanation.

XII. If the clergyman's affidavit has not been produced, is there any reason assigned for not obtaining it?

XIII. If the applicant has no documentary evidence, and has not obtained the testimony of at least one living witness, has he stated in his declaration that such proof cannot be had? *Yes*

XIV. † If the applicant's name is not found on the rolls of military service, has he produced a witness or witnesses as to his service? *Yes*

If he has produced direct proof as to service, has the magistrate who administered the oath, certified to the credibility of the witness or witnesses?

Has the proper officer certified to the official character and signature of the magistrate as the regulations direct?

XV. Does it appear from any of the papers that the witness was in such a situation, or of such an age, as to have a personal knowledge of the applicant's service? *Yes*

XVI. † Are the papers authenticated as the regulations direct? *Yes*

XVII. Are the seven interrogatories prescribed by the War Department answered satisfactorily? And if not, which of them is not so answered?

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

* QUERE V. In a case where the applicant cannot, by reason of the loss of memory, state precisely how long he served, he should amend his declaration by making an affidavit in the following words:

"Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace, &c. A. B. who, being duly sworn, deposed and saith, that, by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades; For _____ year _____ months, and _____ days, I served as a _____; For _____ months and _____ days, I served as a _____; and for such service I claim a pension.

It is important in all cases to determine with precision the period for which each applicant served, and the particular rank he held, as the law directs the pension to be paid according to the grade of the pensioner and the length of his service. The use of the phrase *about three or four months* is too indefinite, and all such qualifying expressions are objectionable. Some persons who apply for pensions merely state they served two years in the militia, &c. without specifying the tours; the names of the officers, and other particulars respecting their service. This form of a declaration is highly objectionable. It must in every case be clearly shewn under what officers the applicant served; the duration of each term of engagement; the particular place or places where the service was performed; that the applicant served with an embodied corps called into service by competent authority; that he was either in the field or in garrison; and for the time during which the service was performed, he was not employed in any civil pursuit.

‡QUERE XIV. *Proof of Service.*

In a case where the name of the applicant is not found on the records of the Department, he must prove his service by two credible witnesses, who are required to set forth in their affidavits the time of the claimants entering the service, and the time and manner of his leaving the same, as well as the regiment, company, and line to which he belonged. The magistrate who may administer the oaths must certify to the credibility of the witnesses, and the official character and signature of the magistrate must be certified by the proper officer, under his seal of office.

‡QUERE XVI. *Mode of authenticating papers.*

In every instance where the certificate of the certifying officer who authenticates the papers is not written on the same sheet of paper which contains the affidavit, or other paper authenticated, the certificate must be attached thereto by a piece of tape or narrow ribbon, the ends of which must pass under the seal of office of the certifying officer, so as to prevent any paper from being improperly attached to the certificate.

☞ In every case where the clerk of the court, or other certifying officer, has no public seal of office, the certificate of a member of congress, proving the official character and signature of the certifying officer, should accompany the papers.

May 19 1843.

Wm. L. May



Free

Edwards Esq

Commissioner of
Pensions

Washington D.C.

Mobile May 11th 1843

Sir,

You will oblige me if you
will transfer my name as a
pensioner to the agency at Mobile
as there is no pension agent at
Tuskealooa when I have heretofore
received my pension. direct to
Gaston Sumter County Ala.

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt.
Jesse Alsbrooks

J. L. Edwards Esq
Commissioner of Pensions
Washington

U. S. Indian School

Santa Fe, New Mex.

September 28, 1920.

Per [initials]
Commissioner of Pensions
Washington, D. C.



Dear sir:

Will you please send me a
copy of the record in your office of
Capt. William Bush, Adj. of the
2nd Regiment, North Carolina
Continental, during the Revolutionary
War.

The North Carolina State records
state: Vol. ~~XXII~~ pg 95. "Extracts from
the declaration of Jesse Alsobrook
private of N.C. Continentals, filed in
Pension Office, Washington, D.C. @
W. & N.D. Invalid, No 16,600, Dec.
26, 1832."

"Capt. W^m Bush was Adj. of the
2nd Regiment."

I should like to have all available
information concerning this William
Bush.

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

Mrs. J. D. DeStuff.

Rev. War Section.

F. L. M.

November 6th 1820.

Mrs. J. D. DeHuff,
U. S. Indian School,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Madam:

In response to your letter dated the 28th ultimo, you are advised that this Bureau is unable to furnish the record of a soldier of the Revolution unless a claim for pension or bounty land has been made on account of his services and a careful search of the records fails to show a claim on file for Captain William Bush Adjutant of the 2nd North Carolina Regiment.

In the pension claim of Jesse Alsebrook (S. F. 18,600) he is referred to as Captain William Bush, Adjutant of the Second North Carolina Regiment, but there is no other data therein relative to him.

Very respectfully,

F. D. Byington

Acting Commissioner.