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### UP-COUNTRY REVOLUTIONARY WAR PENSION ABSTRACTS

#### WILLIAM WHEELER

Application transfer made in Habersham County, Georgia on July 12, 1828 by William Wheeler:

Wheeler states that he served under Capt. George Worley and under Col. Wm. Henderson in the South Carolina service from where he recently moved and now resides in Georgia where he intends to remain.

Declaration was made in Union District South Carolina on October 7, 1825 by William Wheeler a resident of said District, age 62; states he enlisted for 3 years sometime in the winter of January or February 1777 in South Carolina under Capt. Montgomery and Capt. Worley; attached to the sixth regiment under Col. Wm. Henderson line of South Carolina until just before the surrender of Charleston in 1780 when he was discharged; stated that he had two in the family besides himself, to wit: his wife, Nancy Wheeler Senr., age 56 who has been sickly for many years; and his daughter, Nancy Wheeler Jr., age 19 on 23 May past, who resides with him only during her own pleasure.

Declaration was made by Nancy Wheeler in Hall County, Georgia, 1848; age 80 states she is the widow of William Wheeler a private; that she is still a widow.

Declaration was also made in Hall County, Georgia, 1845 by Nancy Wheeler that she was married to William Wheeler November 1785 by Samuel Johnson a Justice of the Peace in Union District South Carolina where they resided until 1826 when they removed from there to Hall County, Georgia near the county line of Habersham County where her husband died.

Declaration was made in Lumpkins County, Georgia, April 19, 1855 by Nancy Wheeler widow of William Wheeler, deceased.

Affidavit was made in Lumpkins County, Georgia, 1866 by John Gannon, age 63 who states that he is the son-in-law and that his wife, Nancy Gannon is the daughter of Nancy Wheeler, deceased who was a pensioner of the Revolutionary War and that Nancy Wheeler died at his house leaving one child, Nancy Gannon the only surviving child.

Affidavit was made in Spartanburgh District, South Carolina on December 2, 1825 by Martin Martin stating William Wheeler entered service in 1777 Continental establishment in Capt. Worley Company, 6th Regiment under Col. Henderson's South Carolina Line and served until a little before the surrender of Charleston in

Editor's Note: The name GANNON could possibly be GORMAN. The file is very hard to read.

### JOHN WHELCHEL

John Whelchel/Whitsel/Weitzel was born October 11, 1756 in Albemarle County, Virginia. He was of German descent and was the son of one Francis Whelchel, Sr. John Whelchel enlisted in the

Revolutionary War while living in Union District South Carolina on May 25, 1777 and served as a private in Capt. James Stein's Company, Col. John Thomas' South Carolina Regiment and aided in destroying several Cherokee Indian towns; length of tour was 3 months, 10 days. He enlisted March 1, 1778, and served 3 months, 10 days as private in Capt. James Terrell's Company, Col. William Wofford's South Carolina Regiment. He enlisted April 1, 1779, and served 3% months as private in Capt. James Terrell's Company, Col. Brandon's S. C. Regiment. He next volunteered and served as private in Capt. John Thompson's Company, Col. Andrew Neel's S. C. Regiment and was in the Battle of Rocky Mount and an engagement at the mouth of Fishing Creek and was discharged after having served a tour of 3 months. He then went home to North Carolina where he enlisted and served as private in Capt. John Thompson's Company, Col. Williams' S. C. Regiment and was in the Battle of Kings Mountain and Blackstocks after which he joined Capt. Whitesides' Company, Major Singleton's Battallion and was discharged after having served a tour of 4 months and 20 days. He enlisted and served as private in Capt. John Thompson's Company, Col. Brandon's S. C. Regiment and was in the Battle of Cowpens about 29 miles from his home and was severely wounded in that battle by several cuts on his head and 3 or 4 stabs. The length of this tour was 3 months. Soon after he recovered from his wounds, he enlisted in Capt. Robert Montgomery's Company, Col. Brandon's S. C. Regiment and was in the Battle of Eutaw Springs and was discharged after having served on this tour 3 months.

John Whelchel's brothers, Davis, William and Francis Whelchel, Jr. served as his comrades during the Revolution and his father was employed in attending the sick. After the war, John was known as Dr. John Whelchel. In 1823, while living in Union District, S. C., John Whelchel

was pensioned. Application dated September 3, 1832, made in Hall County, Georgia shows John Whelchel as pensioned. He died there on March

13, 1837. John Whelchel married July 15, 1784 in Union District South County, Georgia. In 1848, whe was living in Cherokee County, Shown in the claim are the following named children: The Profided Real P. Samuel Whelchel born May 14, 1785 John Whelchel born October 27, 1787 Francis Whelchel born May 21, 1790 William Whelchel born May 6, 1793 Judith Whelchel born June 18, 1797 In 1856, the only surviving children were John and Francis Whelchel, and Judith who was married to one McAdams whose given

Carolina to Abigail Davis who was born on June 10, 1764. Abigail was allowed a pension on her application in 1844 in Gilmer Geogia. She died October 17, 1851.

name was not stated. At that time, all were residents of Hall County, Georgia. tory inspired by the second verse voise to the start of and the young

#### DAVIS WHELCHEL

Davis Whelchel states that he lived on the Broad River in Ninety-Six District, South Carolina for some years before the the beginning of the Revolutionary War. The date and place of his birth and the names of his parents were not given, nor his age. He had several brothers, one of whom was William, who lived on the Broad River in South Carolina in 1787.

Davis Whelchel married in Ninety-Six District to Nancy Barns who was born January 21, 1762. The date of their marriage was given as March 28, 1771 and also as March 28, 1776.

Davis Whelchel died in September 1833 in either Hamilton or Madison County, Indiana.

Nancy Whelchel, widow of Davis, resided in Bates County, Missouri in 1844. She applied March 8, 1844 for a pension. It was then stated that Davis enlisted in 1775 and served at various times until the close of the war as private, ranger, spy, also as a Lieutenant and Major under Captains William McMullen, Nathaniel Jeffers, Nimrod Terrell and John Thompson; Colonels John Neel, Thomas, William Fair, James Steen and Brandon in the South Carolina troops, and in Capt. William Whitesides North Carolina Company, against the Tories. Her claim for pension was not allowed as proof of six months military service was not established as required.

Nancy Whelchel moved to Cedar County, Missouri where she resided in May 1845. In October 1846, she became ill and was taken to the home of her daughter, Keziah Whelchel, in the same county, where she died October 26, 1846. Keziah's husband was William Whelchel whom she married after her mother's death. He was her first cousin and son of William Whelchel, brother to Davis Whelchel. Keziah and William lived near Fayette, Arkansas and in January 1854, moved to McDonald County, Missouri.

Davis Whelchel and wife Nancy had 11 children as was stated by their child, Eda Torrence, on May 29, 1845, in Cedar County, Missouri. She states she was then in her 41st year. David Torrence stated that he had been acquainted with Nancy Whelchel for 22 years and that she had lived with him since her husband's death.

William Whelchel, nephew and son-in-law of Davis and Nancy Whelchel, was born on the Broad River in Ninety-Six District, South Carolina and lived there with his father, William Whelchel. In March 1844, this nephew stated that he was in his 57th year and that he resided near his uncle, Davis Whelchel on White River in Indiana at the time of his death. He further stated that his own father, William Whelchel, told him that three of his brothers married in the family and that his brother, Davis, had married a Barns. The nephew did not state the name of his mother. This newphew's son, William Whelchel, Jr., stated that he was at the burial of his grandmother, Nancy Whelchel.

It was stated that William Whitesides of North Carolina was a cousin of Davis Whelchel and that Davis served in this cousin's company during the Revolutionary War.

Nancy Whelchel, the above named widow, referred to an uncle of hers by the name of Charles Barns who lived in South Carolina and was attacked by the Indians during the Revolutionary War.

Carolina. The date was not given. While a resident of Ninety-Six District, he served as a private in Capt. Jackson's Company in Col. Thompson's S. C. Regiment and was in the Battle of Stono, and stationed at Charleston about 3 months when he was detached to serve in Capt. Hughes' Company in Col. Branham's S. C. Regiment; was in the Battles of Kings Mountain and Cowpens where he was taken prisoner and escaped. He rejoined his former company and was in the Battle of Guilford Court House, in the Seige of Ninety-Six and in the Battle of Eutaw Springs where he received a bayonet wound in the thigh and shoulder; was shot through the arm and his skull was broken by

the butt of a musket. He was discharged after the capture of Cornwallis.

Benjamin Warford was allowed pension on his application executed on September 13, 1832 at which time he stated he was age 78, and a resident of Anderson County, Kentucky. He died in Anderson County, Kentucky on September 15, 1846. He married in 1782 in S. C. to Elizabeth whose last name was not given.

The widow, Elizabeth, was allowed a pension on her application executed October 16, 1848. She stated at that time she was age 93 and a resident of Nelson County, Kentucky. Margaret Parmer, their third child, stated in 1838 that she was over 63 and was then living in Anderson County, Kentucky. In that same year, their 6th child, John Warford, stated that he was

over 55 and then lived in Anderson County, Kentucky. \* \* \*

FOSTER FAMILY CEMETERY This cemetery is located in Croft State Park in Spartanburg, S.C. It has been vandalized leaving markers overturned and broken.

John H. Foster Aug. 10, 1868 - June 9, 1908

June 6, 1911

Mary J. Foster July 29, 1863 - Oct. 21, 1871 aged 9 yrs., 2 mo. # 23 days

M.A.F. (Footmarker only, the headstone is missing.)

Jane Foster Sept. 15, 1790 ~ April 14, 1867

Mary Katherine, dau. of J. W. & Hester E. Foster, August 27, 1910 - June 12, 1911

#### BENJAMIN WARFORD

Benjamin Warford was born in Ninety-Six District, South

Foster: James M. Feb. 17, 1825 - Feb. 16, 1900 Elizabeth Cunningham, his wife, Feb. 14, 1840 -

Andrew Foster October 1, 1782 - Nov. 13, 1866

Moses Foster Dec. 22, 1820 - April 21, 1860 aged 39 yrs. 4 mo.

#### OUERIES

VINCENT LINDSAY Patricia Wassom, Route 2, 1861 J Rd., Fruita, CO 81521.

Seeking information on my father's family. My father, Homer E. Vincint/also known as Robert A. Lindsay, was born to Homer Edmund and Mary Jane Vincent. Need Mary Jane's maiden name. Homer and Mary Jane died when my father was about 6 years old. He lived with friends of his parents, Archie Wilson and Mary Jane (?) Lindsay, at which time he went by the name of Robert A. Lindsay. Would like to learn the cemetery in which these people were buried. Also, any possible epidemics or accidents late 1880-81 that may have claimed the lives of the Vincents. Will greatly appreciate any information, maps, etc. that will be of help or the addresses of persons to whom I can write that will help.

### DOBBS

Virginia Hayes, Box 624, Minco, OK 73059

Need information on David Dobbs who was born about 1790 in South Carolina. Need the name of his wife and children.

BLAND CAIN MOORE PARKER GUYTON/GUITON KARR Ruby R. Smith, 2100 Haltom Road, Fort Worth, TX 76117

Desire information on the following: Isaac Parker, died 1825 in Union Co., S. C., wed first ca. 1770, to Elizabeth Karr, born ca. 1742, died by 1800. Isaac wed second ca. 1805 to Susannah whose maiden name may have been Moore. They were parents of the following children: Isaiah Parker, born ca. 1775; Rachel Parker, born ca. 1786, wed a Bland; Hannah Parker, born ca. 1787, wed a Guyton/Guiton; Elizabeth Parker; Silas Reese Parker, born 1788, Union Co., wed ca. 1822 to Martha -?-, born 1798; Naomi Parker, born ca. 1806; Eleazer Parker, born 1808 Union Co., wed 1836 to Mary, born 1813, whose maiden name was either Caruthers or Cain. Eleazer moved to Spartanburg County about 1880. He and Mary were parents of the following children: John, born ca. 1837; Naomi, born ca. 1839; Isaac, born ca. 1841; Mary, born ca. 1843; James, born ca. 1845; Mark, born ca. 1847 and Margaret who was born ca. 1849. The children of Silas Reese Parker and his wife, Martha are as follows: Ellison, born ca. 1824; Washington, born ca. 1825; Silas, born ca. 1827; Walton, born ca. 1828, William, born ca. 1831, Bleazor, born ca. 1835 and Sarah, born ca. 1839. Any information on these people will be greatly appreciated.

### WALLING

Robert L. Walling, 1300 N. 45th, Apt. 113, Corsicana, TX 75110. Seeking any information on the Walling families in South Carolina

### CASEY/KASEY/CASY/CAISEY Kay Casey Pepple, 14584 Eastview Dr., Los Gatos, CA 95030.

My gr-gr-grandfather, Hiram Casey, was born ca. 1801 in S. C. He first appears in the 1820 GA census for Walton Co. (there was none for 1800 & 1810). An Elisha also appears in the same county. Was Elisha Hiram's father or brother? The name has been carried through the family. Elisha appears in Laurens Co., S. C. in both 1800 & 1810. No other Caseys are there but several are in Spartanburg. Any relation? Hiram wed Faith Thompson, prob. in S. C. Both their fathers are said to be from VA. There is a brief history in 1888 Goodspeed's History of SE Missouri where my gr-grandfather, James Thompson Casey eventually settled. Please help me. There is very little information available here. I will gladly pay postage, copies, etc. and will gladly share all information that I have.

ARRNDT/ARRENT/ARRAND Dennis Copeland, 735 Evelyn Street, Albany, CA 94706.

Seek estate records, will or deed relating to Peter Arndt who resided in Rowan County, North Carolina 1750-1768. He then moved to Craven County (Camden District) South Carolina by 1771. He wed Katrine whose maiden name is not known to me. Their children were: Peter, Jacob(?) and Conrod. Any help appreciated.

#### SMITH

Need parents of Gilbert Smith, born ca. 1810, S.C., died ca. 1860s in Arkansas. He was in Habersham Co., GA on May 10, 1835. First record of him was his marriage to Catherine Hambrick, born ca. 1820, Tennessee, died ca. 1860s in Arkansas. Their children were: John Holcum (1836 GA); Martha J. "Mattie", (ca. 1843-49 Alabama); and Sarah Catherine "Sallie", (1859 Arkansas). Will be glad to reimburse for postage and/or copies. Will also gladly exchange Smith information.

REYNOLDS STACY QUINN Shirley Costlimen, P. O. Box 52, Weatherford, OK 73096

My research surnames are Justin Reynolds who married Mary Byrd; Robert Stacy and the Stacy family and John Quinn who married Robert Stacy's daughter. These people date from 1800-1840.

Wynell Simpson, 5414 McCracken, Houston, TX 77032. LILES MASON

Would like to correspond with others interested in David and Deborah Liles. David died ca. 1817 in Edgefield Co., S. C. and Deborah died ca. 1825 in Abbeville Co., S. C. Their son, Hugh Isom Liles, wife's name was Jenny. Need her maiden name. I am also interested in Francis Mason who died ca. 1825 in Spartanburg County, S. C. All correspondence answered.

## Nova A. Lemons, 12206 Brisbane Ave., Dallas, TX 75234-6528.

ROLLINS/RAWLINGS/RAWLINS/ROLLINGS/ROWLANDS Shelley R. Bundertmark, 10147 Hyne Road, Brighton, MI 48116.

Seeking parents and siblings of Thomas Jefferson Rollins. It is believed his ancestors spelled the name differently. Thomas was born between 1810 and 1820 in South Carolina. In 1840 he was living in Spartanburg County. Would like to correspond with anyone researching the Rollins (and variant spellings) family.

LINN DUFF HALL LEWIS WILLIAMS HACKETT SMITH Carolyn R. Hall, 3925 N. Indian River Dr., Cocoa, FL 32926.

Desire information on Sarah Linn, widow of Robert Linn, possible second marriage to John Hughes of Fair Play, S. C. Also need parents of Agness Duff, wife of James Duff and need the parents of William B. Hall, moved to AL in 1849. Seeking the burial place of David Lewis' second wife, Penelope; parents of Rachel Williams, wife of Tarleton Lewis (possible, James Williams and Ruth); G.M. or J.M. Austin and wife Elizabeth Bain: burial place of Robert Hackett; parents of Griffin Smith who is buried at Mtn. Springs Church, Piedmont, S. C.

RAINWATER MASON Sara Rainwater McIntosh, Rt. 2, Box 2995, Quitman, TX 75783.

I am interested in learning more about James Rainwater, the preacher, born 1795. He wed first to Polly Mason. In tracing this line, I have been able to go beyond James, the preacher. I will gladly share the information I have in exchange for further data on the above.

#### BEDINGFIELD/BEDDINGFIELDS

J. S. Bedingfield, 27837 Ave. 146, Porterville, CA 93257.

My gr-gr-grandfather, Nathaniel Bedingfield, was born January 30, 1792, somewhere in Georgia. I need to know the place of his birth and the names of his parents and siblings. I know that his family lived in Virginia and the Carolinas. I have considerable information on Bedingfields/Beddingfields in England and in early America. I will be glad to exchange this information.

FELL WILKES CROWDER/CRIDER JAGGERS SULLIVAN Jean Harmon Markos, P. O. Box 15483, Lakewood, CO 80215.

Seeking information on John Loyd Fell, born 1793 in Ireland; wed in S. C.; had one son, William Loyd Fell, born 1823 in S. C. There may have been other children. John Fell moved to Fayette Co., GA by 1832. Also seeking information on the wife of Abner Wilkes. Martha (Patsy) wed Abner Wilkes ca. 1785, and lived in Chester County. Martha's maiden name is believed to be Crowder/ Crider or Jaggers. Would also like to correspond with anyone researching the Sullivan families 1750-1825 in S. C. Mire left S. C. by 1825 for Georgia and Alabama.

ARPHAX WHITTEN BIBLE RECORD Matilda Allen Whitten born May 17, 1845 Julia Whitten died Dec. 31, 1866 her last words I have made my calling and election -- (the rest illigible). Arphax Whitten died Oct. 15, 1872 Arena A. Whitten died June 14, 1888 James Whitten (son of Arphax & Arena Whitten) died Jan. 11, 1913 Harriet Whitten Swan died Dec. 4, 1915 Deleska Whitten died Dec. 13, 1900 (Handwriting above Orpha J. Lamb seems to be identical & was made in brown ink; Harriet Swan and Deleska Whitten entries are in blue ink and appear to be the handwriting of Ida A. Ward, of Lumpkin, Georgia, sister of George W. Ward. The Bible was at the old Ward homestead for 30-40 years.)

Copied in 1964 by a great-grandson, George Walter Ward of Smyrna, Georgia. Contributed by Eugene R. Perry, 6835 Cowles Mountain Blvd., San Diego, California 92119. Philadelphia: William W. Harding, publisher, 1860. Notes in Marriages section, following page 116 include: James Whitten was born Jan. 26, 1785 Elizabeth A. Thompson was born Feb. 28, 1788 The above named couple was married Oct. 5, 1788 Harriett Whitten was born Oct. 19, 1810 Arphax Whitten was born March 5, 1812 Mellicent Whitten was born Jan. 1, 1814 Emily Whitten was born Jan. 14, 1816 Orpha Whitten was born Nov. 21, 1817 Elvira E. Whitten (Note: No date was listed, but Elvira Edgil was born May 15, 1822.) Calvin Whitten was born Jan. 24, 1820 Twin children born and died May 22, 1820 Eliza Ann Whitten was born August 9, 1829 Sarah Little, James Whitten's wife was born March 1797 Mellicent Whitten was married to N. H. Goss Jan. 10, 1828 Orpha Whitten was married to Thomas M. Hogan Dec. 7, 1837 Calvin T. Whitten was married to Melinda Kinsey Nov. 21, 1861 Elvira Whitten was married to Green Perry Dec. 13, 1843 The next page, births, includes the following: Arphax Whitten was born March 5, 1812 (blurred) married Metilda Allen Bennett Jan. 8, 1834 Metilda Allen Bennett was born Nov. 17, 1813 Julian Elizabeth Whitten born Feb. 20, 1835 Doleskey Fitzallen Whitten born March 22, 1837 Talitha Emily Whitten was born Nov. 14, 1838 Mary Ann Didaema Whitten born July 9, 1840 Orpha Judson Whitten born March 7, 1842 Sarah Mitchel Whitten born May 14, 1843

Arena A. Priddy was born Nov. 6, 1826 Arphax Whitten married Arena A. Priddy 22 day of February 1851 Joanna Elizabeth Whitten was born February 20, 1852 James Whitten was born February 25, 1863

Harriet Virginia Whitten was born Dec. 26, 1867 Elizabeth Priddy was born May 16, 1828,

Married to George Hackney May 1856 Stephen Hackney was born October 27, 1860 Elizabeth Hackney died October 8, 1871 Stephen Hackney came to my home to live Oct. 8, 1871 John W. McRae was born Nov. 18, 1851 (Note: This may be Nov. 10.) William Whitten McRae was born April 18, 1880 Johnnie S. McRae was born February 1, 1882

The next page from the Bible carries these notations. They are in the same handwriting and in brown ink: Matilda A. Whitten was married Ira Crow Dec. 6, 1865 Sarah M. Whitten was married to George W. Ard Jan. 8, 1867 Orpha J. Whitten was married to Alexander Lamb July 24, 1867 Georgian Whitten was married to John Richardson 14 Dec. 1871 Emily Whitten was married to Elonza Bell 1 day of Febryary 1872 Joanna E. Whitten was married to John E. McRae 23 day of Feb 1879 John W. McRae died Dec. 31th, 1881 Little Johnnie McRae died Jan. 31, 1884 William Whitten McRae died Feb. 27, 1903 Harriet V. Whitten married to W. D. Swan July 27, 1914 (Note: Next page of the Bible is in a different handwriting.) November 26, 1862 I Brot from Columbus an orphan Boy Supposed to be about 7 years old by name of Albien Dearing Jones that I wish to raise until he is grown if he should live so long. Albion Jones was born Feb. 20, 1855. The above named Boy Became such a Lyer and thief that I could not keep him he left me Sept 1864. Joanna E. Whitten was Baptize[d] by W. A. Whipple in the Summer of 1871 at Philadelphia Church, Lee County, Alabama. James Whitten was Baptize[d] by W. G. Capston the last day of August 1879 at Hope Well Church, Smith County, Texas. Harriet V. Whitten was Baptize[d] by W. G. Copaton the first day of September 1882 at Hopewell Church, Smith County, Texas.

A newspaper clipping that was pasted in the Bible states: "Rev. Arphax Whitten, son of Rev. James and A. E. Whitten was born in Spartanburg District, S. C. March 5, 1815 and died at Smith's Station, Lee County, Alabama, Oct. 15th, 1872. . . .

The article goes on to pay tribute to a man who lived a life woven into work with the church and gospel.

