

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension application of Charles Dick W10739

Rebecca

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South Carolina

The Declaration of Charles Dick resident in the District of The union in the State aforesaid made in pursuance of the Act of Congress of the 18th March 1818.

The Declarer being duly sworn deposed its, that early in the Revolutionary War perhaps in the year 1776 or 1777 he enlisted as a common Soldier in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] of South Carolina Captain John Cooper for one year or during the war, that he understood and believed that this Regiment was on the Continental establishment in the Army of the Revolution. That he served in that Regiment for about 3 years was in the battles at Eutaw [Eutaw Springs] & Hanging Rock and at the latter place was taken prisoner and confined in the Goal at Camden by the enemy for about six months from whence he made his escape and was afterwards in several memorable engagements. That he has no recollection of having obtained any regular discharge but that himself and many others were dismissed from the Army by Colonel Sumter at the close of a Campaign against the Cherokee Indians.

The Declarer further saith that he has resided in the United States from the time above referred to and now resides and Union District in the State aforesaid that he is now in his 78th year of age and that from his reduced circumstances he stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 15th of October 1818

S/ David Johnson

S/ Charles Dick, D his mark

South Carolina Union District: On the 20th day of March 1821 Charles Dick Personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record for the aforesaid District, and being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary War (as follows) he enlisted under Captain John Cooper of the 2nd Regiment of Riflemen commanded by Colonel Sumter before the declaration of Independence and served in said Regiment about 12 months, after the expiration of that Enlistment he again Enlisted in a Regiment on the Continental Establishment, but from his great age and infirmities he cannot recollect the commanding officers name But he well recollects being in Charleston during the Siege from whence he made his escape before that place fell into the enemies hands he was in the Battles of Briar Creek, Eutaw Springs and Hanging Rock, where he was taken prisoner and lay 6 months in the Jail at Camden -- and he further states that he made a declaration of the above on the 15th day of October 1818 and received a pension Certificate for Revolutionary Services number 7294 and I the said Charles Dick do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner

whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed (viz.)

107 acres of land worth	\$300
13 hogs & pigs worth	17
1 Cow & calf	10
1 Spinning Wheel	3
1 Table, reel & trunk	4.50
Pots oven & kettle	5
Plantation tools worth	<u>6</u>
	\$345.50

And I do further more on my oath declare that I am indebted to sundry persons different sums amounting in all to \$214. Rebecca Dick wife of Charles Dick aged fifty-nine years and a cripple in both her arms my oldest son died in the United States service in the late war with England, Hardy Dick 18 years of age, sickly, of small growth unable to do hard work, Elijah Dick 16 years of age badly grown.

Sworn to in open Court before me
S/ Abm. Nott

S/ Charles Dick, X his mark

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State of South Carolina Union District: On this 15th day of October 1823 personally appeared in Open court before me the subscriber a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and general Sessions of the peace being a court of record for the District of Union and Middle Circuit of said caps state of South Carolina Charles Dick resident in said District aged eighty-four years who being first duly sworn according to law; doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of the 18th of March 1818, the 1st of May 1820 and the 1st of March 1823, that he the said Charles Dick enlisted in the Continental service in the revolutionary War in Sumter's Regiment in the company commanded by Captain John Cooper that he was in the action at Briar Creek, at the Eutaw Springs and at the defense of Fort Moultrie on Sullivan's Island and that he was taken prisoner at the battle of hanging rock and confined in Camden jail 6 months, when he was released upon parole, after which he was occasionally upon scouts until the close of the war, serving the whole of the war to his best recollection, which is now much impaired by age & afflictions ... [the balance of this document is the boilerplate and schedule substantially as set forth in the previous application with the additional explanation of various property transactions]... "my wife Rebecca Dick 61 years of age, we had 8 children my oldest son enlisted in the Army of the United States in the late war and died in the service no other children with me but a sickly boy about 19 years of age badly grown and we are therefore unable to support ourselves."]

[fn p. 12: on March 12, 1839 in St. Clair County Alabama, Rebecca Dick aged 76 filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Charles Dick, a pensioner of the United States for his services in the revolution; that she married him August 7, 1787; and that her husband died January 7th, 1827; that she has no record of her marriage; the marriage took

place in Fairfield South Carolina and was performed by John Bell a magistrate of said County.]

[fn p. 15: on January 21, 1840 and St. Clair County Alabama, Richard Nance a resident of said County and state stated that Charlotte Nance was born 1792 and is one of the children of Charles and Rebecca Dick; that there are other children now living whose ages he cannot now recollect as follows Samuel Dick about 45 years, Hardy Dick 40 Elijah 36 or 37 all of which he has good reason to believe all the children of Charles and Rebecca Dick.]

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"It appears on the recruiting return of the 3rd wife whole Regiment for the month of September 1814 that William Dick was enlisted 2nd of September 1814, by Lieutenant T W Blackledge at Union Courthouse South Carolina the said Dick was born in Camden South Carolina aged twenty-seven years, six feet high.

S/ Adj. Genl's Office May 4th 1840

S/ John Geo: Law"

[fn p. 21: on August 16, 1839 in St. Clair County Alabama Charlotte Nance testified that she is now 47 years of age; at the age of 25 she married Richard Nance; that she lived with the family of Charles & Rebecca Dick and was always called one of their children and believes herself **to be** one; that her father died January 7th, 1827.]