

NATIONAL ARCHIVES ORDER FOR COPIES OF FEDERAL PENSION OR BOUNTY LAND WARRANT APPLICATIONS

1. Veteran: Gilbert, Benjamin,		2. Branch of Service in which he served: Army	
3. Start Year Of Service:		4. End Year Of Service:	
5. State: Virginia		6. War: Revolutionary War (1775-1783)	
7. Unit in which he served:		8. If service was army, arm in which served:	
		9. Rank: Officer	10. Kind of service: Volunteer
11. Pension File no:		12. If veteran lived in a home for soldiers:	
13. Date of birth: 1753	14. Place of birth: Bedford County, Virginia	15. Name of widow or other claimant:	16. Place(s) veteran lived after service: Georgia, Tennessee
17. Date of death: 1832	18. Place of death: Weakley, Tennessee		

Comments:

- No. We are unable to locate the file you requested above. No Payment is required.
- See the attached form, leaflet, or information sheet
- A search was made but there are several soldiers with the same name who served from the same State. We are unable to determine which of them is your subject using the information that you provided. If you can provide the name and/or number of the specific unit in which the soldier served, we will be pleased to search again.
- A search was made but there are several soldiers with the same or very similar names serving in the same unit. We are unable to determine which of them is your subject using the information that you provided. The military service records do not normally contain personal information about a soldier or his family. In such cases, we suggest that you visit the National Archives and examine the various files or hire a professional researcher to examine the files for you.
- We did not locate a file which matches exactly the information that you provided, however, we did locate a pension application file _____ for a soldier named _____ who served in _____ for the _____ war. He was born _____ at _____ and died _____ at _____. His widow was _____. If this is your subject, please go to Request and Order Reproductions
- The file that you requested (C or XC _____) is not among the records in the National Archives. You must request the file from the Department of Veterans' Affairs. Attached is a list of the VA offices including the one in your region.

DATE SEARCHED	SEARCHER	FILE DESIGNATION
4/1/11	M	4013 Gilbert, Benjamin

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F11-94108781E NWCT1F
 Michael McKenzie
 4227 Kessler Ridge Drive
 Marietta, GA, 30062
 USA

Order Information (NARA use only):
 Service Ticket #: F11-94108781E
 Customer Name: Michael McKenzie
 Order Date: 03/20/2011 21:00:36



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Benjamin Gilber

Coleman Sanderson
Esq, Eatonton
Georgia

Georgia)
Putnam County) Benjamin Smith Clerk of the
County) Superior Court in and for the
State above mentioned do hereby certify
that it appears to the satisfaction of the Court
that the said Benjamin Gilbert did serve in
the Revolutionary war as stated in the preceding
declaration against the common enemy for
the term of three years ~~the~~ ~~term~~ ~~of~~ ~~three~~ ~~years~~ under one engage-
ment on the Continental establishment. I also
certify that the foregoing oath & schedule thereto
annexed are truly copied from the Records of
the said Court. I do further certify that it
is the opinion of the said Court, that the total
amount in value of the property exhibited in
the foregoing schedule is Seventy five dollars
and ~~no~~ ~~part~~ ~~of~~ I have hereunto set

I wish for me any property, real or
 personal, but I do not have I any income other
 than what is contained in the schedule hereto an-
 nexed & by me subscribed & that I am a carpen-
 ter but am from old age unable to practice my
 trade. The amount of my family residing with
 me and my wife aged 58 years who is ~~very~~ sickly
 & infirm my daughter aged 26 years who has
 been abandoned by her husband with her two
 children (the eldest not three years old) left
 destitute & dependant on me, & one son ten
 years old

The following is a schedule of the whole of my
 estate (necessary bedding and clothing excepted)

1 Horse	\$30 00
3 Feather beds all in common use by the members of my family above mentioned	35 50

1 pine side board

4 split chairs

a small supply of

crockery for the present use of my
 family

\$50 10 50

Total

\$75 50

Augustus P Longstreet J. S. C. C. C.

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for the term of three years on
14th of March 1777 in the State of Virginia
in the company commanded by Captain George
Lambert in the Regiment, commanded by Colonel
Lewis in the line of the State of Virginia on the
Continental establishment that he continued to
serve in said corps for three years & a half when
he was discharged at Burlington in the State of
Delaware

That he was in the battles of Germantown, Monmouth
the Brandywine & Red Bank, & that he has no
other evidence now in his power of his said services
his papers having been lost by casualty many years
ago. And in pursuance of the act of the 1st of May
1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident
Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of

the month of December
December 7 1823

Smith Clerk
of the Court of
Pulaski County



Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the 1st day of July 1838, entitled an "act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows"

Putnam Superior Court May adj. Term 1846.

State of Georgia ~~Putnam County~~ Putnam County, Georgia, County
Putnam County ~~Georgia~~ Georgia, County
May 26th 1846.

On the the twenty sixth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty six, personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Inferior Court in and for the County aforesaid, the same being a Court of record, Nancy Gilbert a resident of said County, aged seventy three years past, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed the 1st day of July 1838, entitled an "act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows"; That she is the widow of Benjamin Gilbert (commonly written by other persons than himself Benjamin F. Gilbert) who was an enlisted Soldier, and served as she verily believes faithfully and truly in the American cause in the war of the Revolution. That her husband the aforesaid Benjamin Gilbert was at the time of the War a resident of Bedford County, State of Virginia; That at the commencement of the War of the Revolution her said husband Benjamin Gilbert enlisted as a private Soldier for the period of during the War, and went into the service of the United States, from said County and State in the Virginia Continental line, as a private enlisted Soldier and continued in said service till the war was terminated and Peace was made, as she has always understood and often heard him say; That she always understood from him that he belonged to the fourteenth Regiment and served under Gen. Washington and Gen. Green, and she has often heard him tell the names of his Captains, Majors, and Colonels but their names she does not recollect. That she was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Guilford and numerous others not recollect. The sections of Country through which he marched not known; that he was twice wounded during the war.

That she has no documentary evidence in support of her claim; that her husband's discharge ^{has frequently been} seen, but does not recollect the wording or the contents of it further than it showed that he had been honorably discharged from said service, and which her husband kept and preserved sacred until about the year Eighteen hundred and eleven when it was lost by some means not known, and yet unaccounted for. That she knows of no person now living by whom she could prove said services of her husband. She further declares that she was married to her husband the aforesaid Benjamin Gilbert on the twentieth day of September in the year one thousand Seven hundred and Ninety one, by a Methodist Clergyman by the name of Harris who then resided in the County of Washington State aforesaid, ^{Georgia} now dead, that they were married in the County of then Green now Hancock, at the House of Edmund Butler, State aforesaid; that she has no documentary or Record evidence of her marriage in her possession; that her Family Registry was in the possession of her eldest Daughter when she removed from the State of Georgia to the State of Missouri where she soon after died, and declarant has never been able to obtain said Registry since the death of her said Daughter, and is unable now to obtain it, if it be yet in existence; consequently she relies upon the affidavits of those persons, yet living, who saw her married, for proof of said marriage. That her husband the aforesaid Benjamin Gilbert died on the twenty fifth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty, in the County of Putnam State aforesaid, ^{Georgia}. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January Seventeen hundred and Ninety four or 95, at the time above stated. Nancy Gilbert

Given to and subscribed on the day and year

first above mentioned before me the Subscriber

a Justice of the Superior Court of said County. ^{William M. Johnston J. J. C.} I further certify that Mrs. Nancy Gilbert, the declarant from bodily infirmity is unable to attend Court. That she is personally known to me and has been for many years, that she is the identical person whom she represents herself to be in the foregoing declaration.

and that the word "he" on the second page was inserted before being signed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this the 26th day of May 1886. Bushrod W. Johnston J.C.C.

State of Georgia
Fulton County

Superior Court May 22^d Term 1886

The Declaration of Mrs Nancy Gilbert - widow of Benjamin Gilbert for a pension under the act of Congress passed on the 7th day of July 1838 duly certified by Bushrod W. Johnston a Justice of the Superior Court of the County aforesaid on the 26th day of May 1886 having been submitted to the Court in open court do the hereby approve the acts and proceedings of the Justice Bushrod W. Johnston in the whole matter.

Given under our hands this 1st day of June 1886 in open court.

Attest
J. M. Carter Clerk

Bushrod W. Sanford J.C.C.
James McCholmon J.C.C.
Stephen B. Marshall J.C.C.
Bushrod W. Johnston J.C.C.

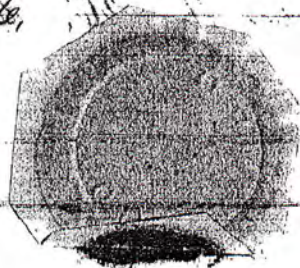
State of Georgia
Fulton County

J. M. Carter Clerk of the Superior

Court in and for the reasons aforesaid do hereby certify that Bushrod W. Johnston is an acting Justice of said Court duly commissioned and legally qualified as such and that the foregoing signature purporting to be his and the following signature purporting to be his are genuine and that the above is the original order of said Court approving his acts and proceedings in the matter of Mrs Nancy Gilbert's petition

for a pension under the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
of Office this the first day of June 1846.

Wm Hunter clk J.C.



State of Georgia }
Putnam County } This day personally appeared before me
the subscriber a Justice of the Superior
Court in and for said County, Zachariah Roughton
a resident of said County and State who being duly
sworn saith that he was well acquainted with
Benjamin Gilbert and his wife Nancy Gilbert - that
the said Benjamin Gilbert died on the twenty fifth day of
October in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty
in the County of Putnam State aforesaid, leaving Nancy
Gilbert his said wife, a widow, that she still remains
a widow.

Zachariah Roughton

Sworn to and subscribed before me
on this the 30th day of May 1846.

Bushrod W. Johnston J.C.C.

I do further certify that the affiant Mr. Zachariah Roughton is an
intelligent and creditable witness

26th May 1846

Bushrod W. Johnston J.C.C.

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7306 Superior Court

May Term 1854

In open Court (said Court

being a Court of record (said

personally appeared Martha

H. Brown wife of John

Brown of West County Georgia

whose maiden name was

Martha H. Gilbert who aged

44 by five years who says on

oath -

she was well acquainted with

Benjamin Gilbert and Nancy

W. Emory before their marriage

It was not present at

the marriage but know that

they lived together as man & wife

from the time of the marriage

until the death of said

Benjamin Gilbert - and said

Nancy Gilbert lived as his widow

until her death & died his widow

at the house of Dr. Stuffs on or about

the first day of March 1850

said Benjamin Gilbert - died

in the year 1830

They left children of the marriage

to wit

Aly H. Gilbert then married to

Thom as Dorothy

Sapphia Gilbert now the wife of

George Roughton

Robert L. Gilbert

Benjamin Gilbert (now dead)

William Gilbert (now dead)

The three first named above were
and are now living and the
other two to wit - Benjamin
Gilbert & Washington Gilbert
deposed this life in the
lifetime of said Nancy Gilbert
- My Mr Sommelly is now living
a bachelor in Mobile Alabama
Sophia Beughlen is now living
with her husband in Putnam
County Georgia
Robert R Gilbert now living in
Wilkes County Georgia
We hope to see that the above
named are the children of
Benjamin Gilbert and Nancy
Gilbert
We hope is 65 years old - living
with her husband who is a
planter and has also
a plantation in her own right
and resides in Wilkes County Georgia
Subscribed & sworn to
in open Court this 31st May 1854

Georgia } In Chambers 31st May 1834
Pill County } J. Abner. J. Powers Judge
of the Superior Court of the Mason

Circuit in said state do hereby certify that
Henry G. Ross whose genuine signature appears
to this perquisite & official seal on the annexed

page of this sheet was at the time clerk of the
Superior Court of Pill County of which said county
is in the Mason Circuit - duly commissioned & sworn
in a that full faith and credit ought to be had given
to all his official acts as such ^{with my official signature}

J. Abner J. Powers ^{Judge Sup. Court}
Not Secy. of Court

Bill Suprem Court May Term 1854
In open Court (said Court being a Court
of record having a clerk & seal)
personally appeared Edmund Gilbert
aged twenty-two years - planter
residing in Debb County Georgia
who says on oath that he was
ever acquainted with Benjamin
Gilbert & a Nancy Gilbert whose
maiden name was Nancy M. Gimesy
that they were married at the
house of E. Anna Buller in Green
County Georgia about the year
1783 witness was at the
house at the time of the marriage
knows they lived together as man
& wife until the death of said
Benjamin Gilbert which could take
place in or about 1830
and knows that said Nancy
lived as his widow until her
death & died at the house
of Mrs Martha H. Bowman in
Debb County in the year 1851
Benjamin Gilbert died in the year
1830.

They left children of the marriage -
to wit -

Ally H. Gilbert then married to Thom
Donnelly -

Sophia Gilbert now the wife of
Gehardts Roughton -

Robert R. Gilbert

Benjamin Gilbert (now dead)

Washington Gilbert (now dead)

the three first named were and are now living and the other two to wit Benjamin Gilbert & Washington Gilbert departed this life in the lifetime of said Nancy Gilbert -

My W. Donnelly is now living a widow in Mobile Alabama -

Sophia Roughton is now living with her husband in Putnam

County Georgia

Robert R. Gilbert now living in Bibb County Georgia -

Witness knows that the above named are the children of Benjamin Gilbert and Nancy Gilbert -

Witness is 72 years old and is a planter living in Bibb County Georgia on his own plantation, having been and still is in said County - and said State -

Subscribed and sworn to in open Court this 31 May 1854

Abner P. Powers

Edmund Gilbert

Judge of the Court in C. Georgia

Bibb County

Bibb Superior Court - Clerk's office

I Henry G. Rofs clerk Superior Court of said County do hereby certify that Abner P. Powers whose genuine signature appears as the affidavits of Edmund Gilbert and Martha M. Bowman was at the time of signing the same judge of the Superior Courts of the Maccon Circuit in said State duly commissioned & sworn and that full faith & credit ought to be had & given to all his official acts and that such attestation are in due form of Law witness my hand & seal of office this 31 May 1854
Henry G. Rofs clerk.

Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1875.

REJECTED

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P.O. Nancy Gilbert
Service: _____

Enlisted: _____, 18 .

Discharged: _____, 18 .

Application filed: _____, 18 .

Alleges: _____

Re-enlisted: _____

Attorney: _____

P. O. _____

_____ Recognized. _____ Contract.

_____ Cert. of Dis. Searched for _____, 18 .

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Nancy Kelbut

Jan

~~14 January 1854~~

~~14 July 1857~~

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aid 7 July 1838

Nancy Gilbert
Ga no 38

1851

Washington City.

Pension Office July 5. 1834

Hon. L. P. Waldo

Comr of Pensions

I file a power of atty, in the case of
Nancy, widow of Benjamin Gilbert, of the State of Georgia, under act of
7th July, 1838, with proof of heirship, death, & a mutilated copy of the
proof of service, obtained from Putnam County Georgia, on which I submit
the case, for a decision.

Respectfully
P. M. Pope

R. M. Ross

July 7/54

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Pension Office
July 7 1834

Sir

The evidence filed by you in the case of Nancy Gilbert widow of Benjamin of Ga. adt July 7 1838 - does not remove any of the objections heretofore urged against its admission. The witness does not seem to be able to fix the date of her marriage. The fact that she was married to him is not questioned, but it is absolutely necessary to know when that event took place. To establish the date, record evidence, either private or public must be adduced, such as a certificate of the county clerk, town or church registry, or the family record of marriage or births of children, or it must be proved by witnesses who can show how they are enabled to fix the time - No proof of her husband's service has been furnished.

Respectfully

Yours

Aug 18. 1846

J. H. Kelsey

Pension Office
August 18, 1846

Sir,

The application of Nancy Gilbert
widow of Benjamin Gilbert under the act of
7 July 1838 has been examined and filed

Ms. Gilbert claims a pension for the
service of her husband as a "War man" in the
Continental Line of Virginia. His name is not
found with those of that Line who received ac-
creditation Certificates, nor is he returned as en-
titled to bounty Land. She will be required, therefore
before her claim can be admitted, to establish her
service by the testimony of two or three witnesses who
are found upon the rolls, who of their own knowledge
can state the time of ^{his} Benjamin Gilbert's entering
the service and the time and manner of his leaving
the same with the Company and regiment to which
he was attached. She must produce also
satisfactory evidence of ~~her~~ marriage to him
prior to January 1794.

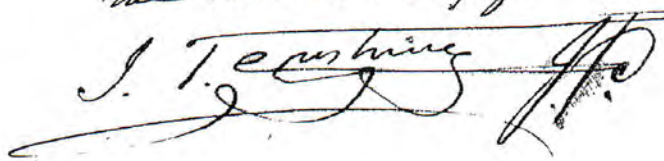
No proof either of the date of their
marriage or of Gilbert's service has been filed.

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Gellat in his lifetime applied for a pension
under the act of 1818. His papers were returned
to him in 1824 for further proof of service, and it
does not appear that they have since been in
this office. His claim was not admitted under
the above act.

John St. Nelson Esq
Maine
Boston Co Va.

State of Georgia } Personally appeared before me
Baldwin County } James Duncan of the State
and County aforesaid who being duly sworn
deposeth and saith that he is acquainted
with Benjamin Gilbert of the County of
Putnam in the State aforesaid, a Revolutionary
Soldier, who is about making application to
the proper Dept of the General Government
of the United States for a pension, or remunera-
tion for services rendered by him in the Re-
volutionary War, that he knew the said Gilbert
in the Continental Line in the year 1777, that
said Gilbert was attached to the Fourteenth
and Depoent to the Twelfth Regiment, that
Depoent and said Gilbert were in the
Battles of Brandy Wine, Germantown and
Guilford, that he was with said Gilbert
from time to time during the greater part
of the Revolutionary War, and that the
said Gilbert was wounded during said
War, & that he believes the said Gilbert
served his Country as a faithful Soldier.

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 21st day of Nov. 1837

J. Terrell


James Duncan


Georgia
Putnam County } Before me personally appeared
sworn, my wife Cath & I both that he was employ-
ed by his father Benjamin Gilbert to obtain
his Certificate of Pension from David Perryman
the Administrator of Robert Perryman, that
he hath applied to said Administrator & was
unable to obtain from him said Certificate and
this deponent is confident that the said Benja-
min Gilbert has never received said Certificate
of Pension.

Sworn to & signed before me ^{his} Robert Gilbert Secy
this 21st October 1826
Attest Daniel S. P.

Georgia
Putnam County } Before me personally appeared
sworn says that he has never received a Certificate
of Pension, that he was informed by John A. Cutt-
bert that his Certificate was transmitted to Robert
Perryman Esq. but Mr. Perryman dying soon after
that information was communicated to me I
not obtain it from him & that I have since undea-
-voured to have not been able to obtain said Certificate
from his Administrator David Perryman.

Sworn to & signed before me
this 21st October 1826

Attest Daniel S. P.

Benj^r Gilbert Secy

Nancy - wid of Benj Gilbert
Putnam Co - Ga act 7th
July 1838

5 July 31
Power of atty filed ~~at~~ 34

Philip atty
Present

Know all men by these presents, that I Alex
H. Donnellie, widow, and daughter of Benjamin
Gilbert, a Revolutionary Soldier, and Nancy Gil-
bert his wife, both of whom are now deceased, of the
City and County of Mobile and State of Alabama
have nominated and appointed and by these
presents do nominate and appoint and in
my place and stead just and deputy Rich-
ard W. Robt Esq. Attorney and Counsellor
at Law, of the City of Washington in the District
of Columbia, U. S. my true and lawful at-
torney at law and in fact, hereby revoking all
other powers of Attorney by me at any time hith-
erto given for the same purpose, for me and in
my name to ask demand and receive all
and every sum of money or property of any kind
from all and every person or persons that may
be in possession of property of any kind to which
I may be entitled as heir at law to the said Ben-
jamin Gilbert or Nancy his wife, more particu-
larly to examine the Records at the City of Washington
as to the rights of the said Benjamin to a Pension
^{in money} and to take all lawful ways and means
to obtain and secure the same for my use, giving
him full power and authority to in my name
and for me to sign any proper instrument of
writing whatever that may be necessary in and
about the said business, hereby ratifying and
holding for firm and effectual all and
whatsoever my said attorney shall lawfully do
in and about the said business by virtue of the Power
hereby given him. Witness my hand and seal the
twentieth of April A. D. 1854

County of Washop

Alex H. Donnellie
marks

N 12914

Nancy Gilbert

Widow of Benjamin
Gilbert

act 7 July 1838

Moore Walton County Ga June 21st 1846

Dear Sir

I enclose you the Declaration of Mary widow of Benjamin Gilbert - who I infer was a pensioner of the United States or at least thought a Certificate had been granted him under act of March 1818. The enclosed was found among his papers and leave the widow to inform her husband's no recollection of his having received money - but believes he did make application for a Pension

I am very Respectfully

Yours

John D. Kilgore

J. L. Edwards

Commissioner of Pensions
Washington City
D. C.