Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Abraham Anderson R202 Transcribed by Will Graves

Vilinda Anderson

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State of Georgia County of Habersham: SS

On this 12th day of June 1852, personally appeared before the Inferior Court of Habersham County and State of Georgia, Zadock Anderson, a resident of the County of Habersham in the aforesaid State of Georgia, aged fifty-seven years, who, being duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made, by the act of Congress passed July 4th, 1836: that he is the son of Abraham Anderson, and Vilinda Anderson, his wife, whose maiden name was Gilder, and that he has been informed, and does believe, that his Father, the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, was a private in the war of the revolution, that he volunteered in Newberry district, in the State of South Carolina, about the year 1779, in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Waters, that he has often heard his Father, the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, speak of Captain Jeremiah Williams, but that he does not know whether he belonged to his company or not, and that he has often heard his father the for said Abraham Anderson said that he continued in military service, in the war, general 1783. And that his father, and mother, the aforesaid Abraham Anderson and Vilinda Gilder, was married in Newberry district, in the State of South Carolina in the year 1777, that his father the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, died on the 9th day of May 1815, leaving his Mother the aforesaid Vilinda Anderson a widow, who never after married but remained the widow of his Father, the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, to the day of her death (which was on or about the 17th day of November 1843) and that she never asserted her claim to a pension. All of which will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed.

This declarant, the aforesaid Zadock Anderson, now claims a pension, for the revolutionary services of his Father, in the right of his Mother, the aforesaid Vilinda Anderson, for himself the aforesaid Zadock Anderson, Elizabeth Franklin, Abel Anderson and John Anderson, who are now the only surviving children of the aforesaid Abraham Anderson and his wife Vilinda.

S/ Zadock Anderson, Z his mark

State of Georgia County of Hall: SS

Be it known, that on this 27th day of March A.D. 1852, personally appeared before me, John H. Hanson a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, David Williams a resident of said County, aged 80 years, who being duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith that he was well acquainted with Abraham Anderson, the Father of Zadoc Anderson of Habersham County in the State of Georgia, in the time of the revolutionary war, and that he,

deponent, distinctly recollects, that he the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, and Vilinda Gilder, was married in Newberry District in the State of South Carolina (he has forgotten by whom) about the year 1776, or 1777; and this deponent further declares, that he the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, soon after he was married, joined the Army of the United States, as a horseman, in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Waters, and that he deponent saw him the aforesaid Abraham Anderson amongst the troops, and that he marched off with them, and whilst absent from home his first child was born, and that he deponent, was called on as a nurse, and was sent and stayed with his state aforesaid Abraham Anderson's wife, several months as her nurse, and that he saw the aforesaid Abraham Anderson come home (he said on furlough) and that he then had a horseman's uniform, and that this deponent thought he was some kind of an officer.

And this deponent further declares, that his deponent's Father, Jeremiah Williams was a Captain in the same Regiment, but that he deponent does not know whether he the aforesaid Abraham Anderson was in his company or not. And this deponent further declares that soon after the revolution, he, the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, was elected a Lieutenant and home in Newberry district South Carolina. And this deponent further declares, that he continued to be acquainted with him the aforesaid Abraham, to the time of his death, and that he was always reputed, and believed, in the neighborhood where he lived, to have been a soldier of the revolution. And this deponent further declares, that Zadock Anderson, of Habersham County, who is now prosecuting his claim, is an heir to him the aforesaid Abraham Anderson. And this deponent further declares, that according to his Father's register, he, deponent was born July 30th, 1772; and that he was about 4 or 5 years old at the time of the aforesaid marriage of Abraham Anderson and Vilinda Gilder. And this deponent further declares that he has no interest in this matter whatever

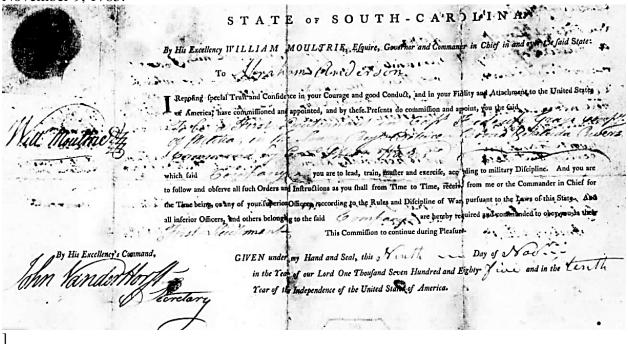
S/ David Williams, X his mark

State of Georgia, County of Habersham: SS

On this 10th day of December A.D. 1852, personally appeared in open court, before the court of ordinary, Holden at Clarksville in and for the County and State above written, Zadock Anderson, aged fifty-seven years, a resident of the said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, declares, that he is the same Zadock Anderson, who made a declaration for a revolutionary pension, for the services of his Father, Abraham Anderson, under the act of July 4th, 1836, in the right of his mother, Vilinda Anderson, widow of the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, and sent to the department at Washington; he is now informed that said declaration needs amendment. He now declares, that his Father and Mother, was married in South Carolina (as he is informed) and that there is no public record of marriage required by the laws of that State; he knows of no public record, of that event, that he has often saw a private record, of that marriage, in an old book ("The Family's best companion") which is now lost out, and he has forgotten what date they were married, but to the best of his recollection, it was 1777. He finds, an entry, on the top of a leaf of the same book of the birth of Rosanah Anderson, which is herewith sent; he declares, that she (Rosanah) was the second child, of the aforesaid Abraham Anderson and his wife Vilinda. He further declares, that his Father, the aforesaid Abraham Anderson, died on the 9th day of May A.D. 1815; and that his mother, the aforesaid Vilinda Anderson, died in November A.D. 1843, between the 15th and 25th of that month; and that she left surviving her 5 children, whose names are Isaac Anderson, Elizabeth Franklin, Abel Anderson, Zadock Anderson, and John Anderson. He further declares; that; in the lifetime of his mother, she often salt some person to prosecute her claim to a pension; but living, as she did, in a mountainous part of the country, there were but few persons, who knew the pension laws; and she being unable to travel failed to get an agent, to undertake for her.

S/ Zadock Anderson, Z his mark

[fn p. 20: is a commission issued by William Moultrie, Governor of SC to Abraham Anderson as a first Lieutenant in Captain Frederick Gray's company of militia. The commission is dated November 9, 1785.



South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Abraham Anderson Audited Account Microfilm file No. 103A

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[p 2: Form of Indent No. 1691, Book X dated January 26th, 1786, issued to Mr. Abraham Anderson for the sum of "Seventy Pounds eleven Shillings & five pence Sterling for Duty as Horseman in Colo. Waters' [Philemon Waters'] Regimen 1779,1780, 1781,1782, & 1783 as per Account Audited."

[p 3: reverse of the Indent bears the following indorsements] Received 31 October 1786 Three Years Interest on the within Indent £14.16.3 for Abraham Anderson

S/ James Dawkins

James Dawkow

Received 1 August 1787 1 years Interest £ 4.18.9 S/ Joseph Abindanone [?]

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/.

Joseph Strindanone

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