

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Anderson R204

Sarah Anderson

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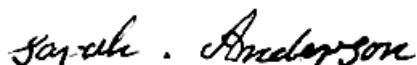
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State of Georgia Clark County Athens 24th of November 1856

Before me one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Georgia, personally appeared Sarah Anderson widow of William Anderson late of DeKalb County said State, deceased, who being duly sworn deposed & saith, that the said William Anderson & herself both formally resided in the County of Greene in said State & were there legally married in the year 1819 as will appear by a copy of the marriage license hereto attached. She also further swears that before & since her marriage with the said William Anderson, she has repeatedly heard him say that he joined the Revolutionary ^{Army} in the State of North Carolina & remained a soldier of the said Army for several years which fully appears by the certificate of George W Brooks Comptroller General of the State of North Carolina hereto annexed. That her said husband had in his possession until about ten years before his death papers establishing the facts here sworn to, that at that time or about that time her said husband lost his mind & whilst in that state burned or otherwise destroyed his revolutionary papers with all others he had. That her said husband lived in the State of North Carolina at the time he joined the Army & remained a soldier for several years. That she has repeatedly heard him tell over the battles in which he was engaged and among them was the battle of Ramsour's Mill [June 20, 1780] as he called it. She also swears that the persons by whom she could have established the fact of all that is here stated are either dead or removed to parts unknown to her, & that this circumstance has delayed her in applying for the benefit of the Act of Congress approved 7th of June 1832 "Supplementary to the Act for the relief of certain Surviving Officers & Soldiers of the Revolution." Finally that her said husband did not in his lifetime received any pension from the General Government & that she now makes the application for the pension due her husband in his lifetime as well as that due her as his widow since his death & that she is still the widow of the said William Alexander deceased. The word "Army" on the first page in aligned before sworn to.

S/ Sarah Anderson



[p 4: Certified copy of the marriage documents located in the Greene County Georgia clerk of courts office showing the marriage of William Anderson to Sarah Stephenson on February 2, 1819 by F. Cummins, V. D. M.]

[p 11: On April 9th, 1857 in DeKalb County Georgia, James B Robertson, Thomas L Robertson & Nathan Center gave testimony that William Anderson a citizen of said County died in 1839 in DeKalb County Georgia.]

[p 12: On April 9, 1857 in DeKalb County Georgia, Sarah Anderson, widow of William Anderson gave testimony that her husband was a native of Pennsylvania; that he removed from Pennsylvania to North Carolina in his 16th year of his age; that he resided in the counties of Iredell & Rutherford in North Carolina previous to his going into the Army as a soldier of the revolution but in which County he resided at the time he entered the service she cannot state; that he remained in service from the commencement of the war until its close returning home only to obtain clothing; that he repeatedly spoke of being at Wilmington & Salisbury as a soldier.]

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Executive Department Milledgeville Georgia April 13th, 1857

By an Act of the Legislature of Georgia approved 9th of June 1825, "To dispose of and distribute the lands lately acquired by the United States for the use of Georgia of the Creek Nation of Indians, by a Treaty made and concluded at the Indian Springs on the twelfth day of February 1825" it is provided among other things, "that all Revolutionary Soldiers who were not fortunate drawers as Revolutionary Soldiers in the late land lottery shall be entitled to two draws as Revolutionary Soldiers and that the following oath shall be administered to all Revolutionary Soldiers who shall apply for draws under this Act, ["I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I served as a Soldier in the Armies of the United States during the Revolutionary War, a tour or tours of duty and am entitled to a draw or draws according to the provisions of this Act. So help me God."

I do certify that the Records of the Land drawings of this Department in the Lottery established by the above Act show that the name of William Anderson of Dawkins District, Greene County in this State was returned by the Commissioners as entitled to two draws as a Revolutionary Soldier, and as such that he drew two lots of Land which were granted by the State to him – that the Oaths administered by the Commissioners to each applicant were doubtless verbal and therefore did not returned to this Department, and that the only construction now placed upon the Act of this Department and the other Departments of the State as far as known – and which was doubtless acted upon by the Commissioners is and was that any person taking the above Oath is entitled to two draws as a Revolutionary Soldier regardless of the length of his tour of Service in the Revolutionary War.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Executive Department at the Capital in Milledgeville the day and year above written.

S/ B. B. DeGraffenried, Secty Ex Dept.

[p 25: On January 3, 1857 in DeKalb County Georgia, John Stephenson a resident of said County gave testimony that he was well acquainted with William Anderson and his wife Sarah who formerly lived in Iredell County in North Carolina at the time William Anderson served in the revolutionary war; that William Anderson died in DeKalb County Georgia June 10, 1839.

John Stephenson]

[p 28: it given by the Comptroller of North Carolina sitting 4th payments made to one William Anderson for Military service in the revolutionary war as follows:]

State of North Carolina
Comptroller's Department

I, Geo. W. Brooks, Comptroller of the Public Accounts in and for the State of aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears of records in my Office among the payments made by said State to sundry persons for Military Service in the Revolutionary war as follows

William Anderson

Roll No. 843012. - Sgt. N. Wilmington District 1782

<i>42</i>	<i>25.0</i>
<i>5 3</i>	<i>9.0.0 Halifax District ✓</i>
<i>23 78</i>	<i>9.14.8 "Hillsboro" ditto</i>
<i>142</i>	<i>9.4.0 ditto do</i>
<i>3 15</i>	<i>2.16.6</i>
<i>26 21</i>	<i>2.2.0</i>
<i>17 31</i>	<i>37.0.8</i>
<i>16 31</i>	<i>1.5.6 Cor. paid by Staff of Bladen County</i>
<i>78</i>	<i>2.8.0 Halifax District</i>
<i>C. 2320</i>	<i>11.6.0 Hillsboro District</i>
<i>19</i>	<i>\$155.83 Corporal's pay</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>\$ 22.52 Continuation</i>
<i>28 20</i>	<i>\$ 57.0.8 Above Line</i>
<i>30 2</i>	<i>62.7.1 Corporal's Above Line</i>

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of my Office at Raleigh the 5th day of June 1856
Geo W Brooks
Comptroller