Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Coleman R2164 fn29NC
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State of Georgia Meriwether County: SS

On this 19th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before me Walker T Colquitt Judge of the Superior Court of the County & State aforesaid now sitting, Samuel Coleman, a resident of Meriwether County & State of Georgia aged sixty-nine years & upwards who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. —

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, & served as herein stated. He was born in Brunswick County Virginia about the year 1763, has no record of his age, lives now in Meriwether County, Georgia, following the Revolution resided in North Carolina from thence removed to Georgia where he has now resided upwards of forty years. Serve six months during the Revolutionary War as his discharges will show, which is here with transmitted. —

1st – Served three months under Captain Jordan Harris, John Hawkins major, – Fuzzel Colonel, resided & entered service in Warren County North Carolina – was drafted militia & served in the infantry as first Sergeant entered about the 10th of February 1781 & first certificate shows time of leaving service two with 10th May 1781, during this service was in the battle of Guilford, North Carolina, General Eaton commander, General Green principal Commander, after this battle balance of tour stationed at Ramsey's Mills North Carolina.

2nd Served three months under William Twitty Captain, Lee Major, Colonel's name forgotten, scouting principally during this time, resided then & entered at the same place as in the first service, was in the cavalry service as first Sergeant, in this service was a volunteer in North Carolina State Troops, entering service about 21st of August 1781, discharged as his discharge shows 21st November 1781, during this service was in several inconsiderable skirmishes with the Tories, knows no person who could convincingly testify to his service & has no documentary evidence further than here a company.

Summary of service

 1^{st} 3 months 2^{nd} 3 ditto 6 months in all

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/W. T. Colquitt, JIC

S/Saml. Coleman

[Seth Thompson & Robert J Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Georgia Meriwether County: On this the 13th day of August 1835, personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Superior Court of Meriwether County now sitting Samuel Coleman a resident of the State of Georgia and County of Meriwether age Seventy-two years who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated. That he was drafted from Warren County North Carolina in February or March 1782 & served a tour of three months in Captain Jourdan Harris' Company of Militia – Wilmoth Edgington was Lieutenant in Colonel John Hawkins' Regiment under General Thomas Eaton, during which service he was in the battle of Guilford. In September 1782 he volunteered in a Horse troop three months from Warren County North Carolina which was commanded by Captain Twitty – during which service they had an engagement with the Tories at Ramsay's Mills on Deep River North Carolina & at Haw fields. In 1783 he was drafted for 12 months & served by John Bradford a substitute under the command of Captain Newsom and Lieutenant Furney Southhall of the Militia, which company were in several engagements in South Carolina. In the latter part of 1783 he was drafted from Warren County North Carolina for 18 months & served by William Paterson a substitute who was wounded at Gates defeat. And that he has no documentary evidence of his services.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of any State.

- Q. Where & in what year were you born?
- A. In Brunswick County Virginia on the 24th of August 1762
- Q. Have you any record of your age & if so where is it?
- A. I have none, nor do I know where it is.
- Q. Where were you living when called into service: Where have you lived since the Revolutionary war & where do you now live
- A. In Warren County North Carolina, moved thence to Georgia where I have lived 43 years & now live in Meriwether County Georgia.
- Q. How were you called into service: were you drafted: did you volunteer: & if a substitute for whom?
- A. Drafted for three, 12 & 18 months & a volunteer three.
- Q. State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served: such Continental & Militia Regiments as you can recollect & the general circumstances of your service.

Eight. General Greene of the regular Army & Colonel Austin Willis Regiment & Colonel Nicholas Long's Regiment.

- Q. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service & if so by whom was it given & what has become of it
- A. I got a written discharge from Captain Jordan Harris for three months service & one from

Captain Twitty for the same length of service which is lost – I have no written discharge Two. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood & also who can testify as to your character for veracity & good behavior – your services as a soldier in the Revolution

A. Daniel Keith & John Keith as to character & veracity & Seth Thompson as to his services Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Hiram Warner, Judge

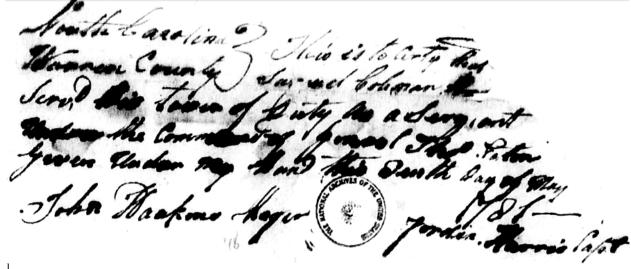
S Samuel Coleman

[John Keith, a clergyman, and Daniel Keith & Seth Thompson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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North Carolina
Warren County} This is to Certy that
Samuel Coleman has
Serv'd his tower of Duty as [?] a Sergeant
Under the Command of Jenral [General] Thos Paton [Patton, Patten]
Given under my Hand this Tenth Day of May

1781

S/ John Hawkins, Mager [Major] S/ Jordin Harris Capt.



[fn p. 8: on August 26, 1853, Sarah Coleman, a resident of Greenville in Meriwether County Georgia, filed a power of attorney in which she states she is the widow of Samuel Coleman.]

[fn p. 9: on December 22, 1853 in Meriwether County Georgia, Eden Coleman filed a claim for the pension accrued and do his father Samuel Coleman and also Sarah Coleman his widow; that

¹ Notwithstanding the veteran's saying that two discharges were included with his first application, I could only find this one in this file.

his father Samuel Coleman departed this life May 11th, 1838 leaving surviving him Sarah Coleman his widow who he had married in 1805; that Sarah Coleman died November 1, 1853 leaving surviving her David Coleman, Samuel Coleman, Humphrey Coleman, Hybernia who intermarried with W. P. Adair; Tempy who intermarried with W. Morgan and Eden Coleman, the only surviving children of Samuel and Sarah Coleman.]