

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Solomon Dalton R2635 Mary Dalton VA
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State of South Carolina }
District of Pickens } SS.

On this twenty ninth day of October 1849 personally appeared before the Court of General Sessions and Common Pleas of the District aforesaid Mrs. Polly Dalton (whose maiden name was Terry) aged Eighty four years, a resident of the same District and State, who being 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 July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half-pay and pensions to certain widows: and the several acts in continuation thereof.

That she is the widow of Solomon Dalton who was a private in the War of the Revolution, that he lived in Pittsylvania County Virginia, and was there drafted into the service for Six months, and served out his time and received his discharge, she thinks he served in Capt Williams' Company, but does not recollect the names of other Officers, or through what country he marched, except that he was under Gen'l. Green at Cambridge [sic: Nathanael Greene, Siege of Ninety Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781]. the discharge she supposes was thought valueless and not taken care of, and as she cannot read, she does not know by whom it was signed altho' she has often seen it.

She further declares that she was married to the said Solomon Dalton in Pittsylvania County Va. in the winter, she thinks in January, and in the year seventeen hundred and eighty two or seventeen hundred & eighty three by Nathan Thurmond a Baptist minister – they lived in Virginia until she had four children and then moved to Golden Grove in Greenville Dist. in this State, where they lived some thirty years, and then moved to this district. she had a family record made by Robert Tarrant, but does not know that it can now be found – her husband the aforesaid Solomon Dalton died on the 20th November 1845 and she has lived a widow ever since, he never made application for a pension, saying he could live without it. he was born in the year 1760. since the death of her husband she has lived about amongst her children, upon whom she is dependant for a support. that she was not married to her said husband prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four, viz. at the time above stated. Polly herXmark Dalton