

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Benjamin Martin R6936

Anna Martin

f16VA

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State of Georgia Hall County: Be it known on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 1845 personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Inferior Court in and for the County and State aforesaid (the same being a Court of Record) Mrs. Anna Martin a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged seventy-nine years last June (the 7<sup>th</sup> day thereof) who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit and provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 4<sup>th</sup> 1836 and the act explanatory of said act passed the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1837. That she was married to her husband Benjamin Martin on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June in the year 1785 in Cumberland County in the State of Virginia by a Protestant Clergyman by the name of McCrary. That her said husband Benjamin Martin served as a private in the Revolutionary War as she understands and believes alternately from the year 1781 until the close of the war. Deponent recollects to have heard her husband name some of the officers under which he served but don't now recollect the names of any except a Captain Nathan Patterson and General Green. She also recollects to have heard her husband mentioned that he was in the battle at Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] in North Carolina and at a place then called Ninety Six in the State of South Carolina.

That the said Benjamin Martin resided in Cumberland County State of Virginia when he entered the service and continued there until the close of the war.

That she Deponent and her husband Benjamin Martin lived together as man and wife from the day of their marriage aforesaid until the death of the said Benjamin which happened the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year 1814 during which time they had eight children, to wit, Thomas L, Elizabeth, Mary, John, Susannah, Anna, Fanny and Lucy. That he died leaving her his widow. That she has remained a widow ever since and is now his widow.

That she has no documentary evidence of her marriage nor of her said husband's services, but refers to such proof as is here with submitted.

S/ Anna Martin, X her mark

[p 3: Thomas L Martin gave testimony that he is the son of Benjamin and Anna Martin; that Benjamin died in Hall County Georgia in 1816 leaving Anna his widow; that his father brought home his discharges which were burnt up in the house of the deponent in Hall County Georgia. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[p 10: On August 26, 1853 in Hall County Georgia, Stephen Martin executed a power of attorney authorizing his attorney to prosecute the claim of Ann Martin to a pension. His relationship, if any, to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated.]