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Pension application of Claiborne Sandidge (Sandige, Sandridge), File No. R9188 fn27VA
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STATE OF GEORGIA
Elbert County

On this twenty first day of **January Eighteen hundred and thirty three** Personally appeared in open Court before their Honours the Justices of the Inferior Court of said County being a court of record **Claiborne Sandridge** a resident of said county aged **seventy one years**, 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 this **7th of Jun 1832**, to wit,

I was born in the State of **Virginia** in the County of **Spottsylvania**, the **2nd day of February, 1761 or 1762**, according to the register kept which is lost or destroyed. This applicant was removed to Luisa County in Virginia, when an Infant, and then resided until he was put on the muster role, in the year **1780 or 81**.

First tour I was drafted in the Army about the time the marauders Arnold or Philips depredated [sic, depredated] the shore of James River, I marched under the command of Capt Richard Philips, to Richmond but before the Army got to the city we turned off to Hanover Court House, from thence we marched down the River road to a Town called New Castle on the **Pamunkey [River]**, the main branch of York River from thence to New Kent Court House, from thence back to Hanover Court house, thence across the said river to the Bowling Green near the **Rappahannock** River, after encamping then some time marched back to Hanover Court House and after remaining then some time I was discharged, this being a two months tour.

2nd Tour. In the Spring of 1781 I was drafted again under the same Capt R Philips, who marched to the City of Richmond, from thence down Mayhoes[?] old field where we continued until the militia gathered from different sections of the State, we were then put under regular officers, the Brigade of about four thousand men Commanded by Genl Nelson. The second regiment when we were in was Commanded by Col Dabney and Maj Campbell, all were then ordered to Prepair our Arms and about midnight we were paraded and marched up in silence into the City and formed into a line of battle upon Shocco Hill, commanded by Genl Marquis D Lafayett [sic, Lafayette], we continued in that Position untill late in the evening when we marched in a by road or path until late in the night, and then camped near Winstons old fields, thence to Dandridges old field thence to the Scotch Town, the former residence of Patrick Henry thence to north pen monkey [sic, Pamunkey] thence to Smiths old field, Thence Pelli's Mill, thence to Corbans bridge on the **Mattaponi River**, thence to Wilderness bridge in Orange County. That night Tarlton [sic, Banastre Tarleton] & his corps camped at Louisa Court house thence to the **Rappahannock** River, we crossed the river by wading into Culpeper County, we next marched untill we got near the mountains, and then turned across to the **Rapidan River**, which we waded at the Raccoon foard, where we remained untill Genl Wain [sic, Anthony Wayne] came on with his brigade of regulars, then we marched to Albemarle old Court House on James River, from thence down the Three Notch road 60 or 70 miles to Dandridges old field, after staying there some time. I was discharged by Lieutenant Wingham [?] in writing but do not

no what became of the discharge. It is either lost or destroyed, the date of it I do not recollect.

Some days after getting home I was called upon by William Stuart to drive every fifth cow out of every mans stock in a certain boundary to Dickensons pasture, and it should go for a Tour of duty. I did so with much difficulty untill I had performed this service. I continued until there was no call for cattle or men, for in a few weeks thereafter, Washington made a triumphant entry, into the City of his nativity (Fredericksburg) with the British Army prisoners.

The above and foregoing is a correct narrative of my services, during the war of the Revolution which I consider to be three Tours of duty, and was at the time so informed and advised and For which service I have never Received one single Cent.

I removed to **Georgia** in the year..**1785** and lived an itinerant life untill the year **1792**. I then returned to Virginia resided there until the year 1802 when I returned to the State of Georgia and settled in the County of Elbert first aforesaid where I now reside, and where I have resided ever since.

As to the particular dates entering the service and the different dates of discharge, this applicant cannot distinctly recollect other than what he has already stated in this his application. And he hereby relinquishes every claim Whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pention roll or the agency of any State,

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court
The day and year aforesaid

Benjamin W Fortson CCO
[Thomas Hearn, a clergyman, William W. Bowen and Benajah Houston gave the standard support affidavit.]

Claiborne [X] Sandidge...his mark

[His application for a pension was rejected by the pension office]

[On 13 Sep 1805 an equity lawsuit was filed in the Superior Court of Elbert Co., GA by Claiborne Sandidge in right of his wife Jane and against the Administrators of the estate of Samuel Higginbotham, deceased, in which he stated that his wife Jane was a daughter of Samuel Higginbotham, Samuel having died in March 1803. In DeSoto Co., MS on 23 Apr 1853 John Q. Sandidge executed a sworn affidavit before W. C. Blake, J. P. in which he stated that his parents Claiborne and Jane Sandidge were married on 24 Oct 1802 while residing in Elbert Co., GA, that Claiborne died on 9 Feb 1843 and Jane died on 8 Feb 1827.]

The material transcribed below by Will Graves

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State of Georgia Elbert County: In person appeared before me, a justice of the Inferior Court for said County, Claiborne Sandidge, who, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear precisely to the day of the month that he entered the service of the United States yet he firmly believes that he served in the

Revolutionary war between the US and Great Britain not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grade: To wit -- as a private soldier, in 1780 or 1781 I was drafted and placed under the command of Captain Richard Phillips of Louisa County Virginia, in Colonel Wm White's Batln or Regiment, and served a tour of two months.

In the spring or summer of 1781, I was drafted again, and placed under the command of the same Captain Philips, in Major Campbell's Battalion, Colonel Dabney's Regiment, who was commanded by General Nelson, and served a tour of I think 3 months

Again in 1781 I was ordered into service to collect Beef cattle for the use of the Army of the United States, and performed a service of ___ months making in the whole service five months certain and the length of the Last tower [sic, tour] uncertain and for such service he claims a pension.

And this deponent further states, that he was called into the service of the United States, by competent or legal authority, That he served with an embodied Corps or in collecting Beef cattle for the Army, either in the field or in the Garrison and during the time of this service he was not employed in any civil pursuit: while in the service of the US he was in no Battle, but always on the march or on guard. He was commanded by Captain Philips, Major Campbell, Colonel Dabney and Generals Nelson & Lafayette.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 11th of June 1835

S/ Claiborne Sandige, X his mark

[Asa Chandler, a clergyman, and James A. Clark gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Georgia Elbert County: Personally came and appeared before me William A. Beck an acting Justice of the Inferior Court in & for the County aforesaid Claiborne Sandidge and after being sworn in due form of law saith that early in the year 1781 he was drafted into the service of the United States from under the command of Captain Richard Phillips and there not being a sufficient number to command the command of Colonel Wm White was given to the oldest Captain (John White) and served a two months tour and was discharged -- and that in the spring of the same year he was again drafted under the same Captain (Phillips) and was mustered into the Regular Service in the Second Regiment commanded by Major Campbell & Colonel Dabney and afterwards when they were joined by General Wayne, Command of a Brigade of Regulars being in service for some time he was discharged by Lieutenant Bingham after which he was called on by Wm Stuart to select & drive every fifth beef from the flocks of cattle certain bounds which was in lieu of the Military Service & he further saith that he has never received anything from the United States for the aforesaid service that the reason he now applies for a pension is that he has applied twice before and has failed to succeed in getting a pension, that he was for some time employed as aforesaid in selecting and driving beeves until the siege of York and though not constantly engaged he was thereby prevented from being otherwise employed -- that from the second tour he was discharged about the 10th day of July 1781 -- and that he believes that during this time he was engaged about 9 months in the service of the Revolution. Sworn to & subscribed before me this 9th of November 1836

S/ Wm A. Beck, JIC

S/ Claiborne Sandidge, X his mark

[Thomas H. Capers, a Methodist minister, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 11: on April 23, 1853 in the DeSoto County Mississippi, John Q. Sandige, 36, executed a power of attorney in which he states he is the son of Claiborne Sandige; that his father died

February 9th 1843 and his mother named Jane Sandige died December 8th 1827; that his parents were married on October 24, 1802 at which time they lived in Elbert County Georgia where they lived until their deaths.]