

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Philip Sanders R9215 Lydia Sanders NC  
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State of North Carolina }  
Davidson County } SS

On this 14 day of August personally appeared before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Davidson Philip Sanders a resident of the County of Davidson in the State of North Carolina aged about seventy six years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7 1832 that he entered in the Army of the United States or in the service in the year No 1775 or 1776 with Capt Pink Eaton [Pinketham Eaton] in regiment of the Commandant commanded by Colo Nicholas Long under the following named officers – for a term of two years – this the name of his Capt was Pink Eaton the name of the Col Commandant Nicholas Long

that he served for a term of one year under one enlistment. That at the time of his enlistment he resided Halifax County and State of North Carolina, that he was in the battle against the Tories at Moore Creek in the State aforesaid [Battle of Moore’s Creek Bridge, 27 Feb 1776]

after the term of his service for which he had enlisted had expired he was discharged. That he afterward served six month in the Militia under two engagements of three months each time, in which the declarant[?] lived in the County of Halifax. That in the [illegible word] he volunteered for three months under Capt Elisha Hurt or Heart & served under him as Lieutenant That at end of this engagement he served as a substitute for one Roll Hicks under Capt Hurt. That while in this service he marched to South Carolina & was in the battle at Gates defeat [Battle of Camden where Gen. Horatio Gates was defeated, 16 Aug 1780] attached to the Regiment commanded by Col Sowel[?]. That he was present at the affair near Charlotte under Genl Davy [possibly skirmish on 26 Sep 1780 between forces under Col. William Richardson Davie and Gen. Cornwallis].

That he was present at the Battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781]

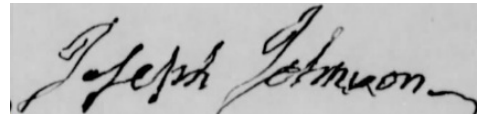
That he has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to testify to his services

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the resent & that his name is not on the pension role of the agency of any State

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court 14<sup>th</sup> Aug 1832 Philip hisXmark Sanders

State of North Carolina Chatham County

This day came before me Abraham G. Keen, One of the acting Justices of the peace for the said County Joseph Johnson [S7093], and after being duly sworn, sayeth, That he is and has been acquainted with Philip Saunders ever since the the Revolutionary war, and that he saw him in service but at what time and place he cannot now recollect, but that he belives from what he heard from others, in whose statements he could rely on, that he was the greater part of his time in service during the war. Subscribed and sworn to before me this Eleventh day of April 1833

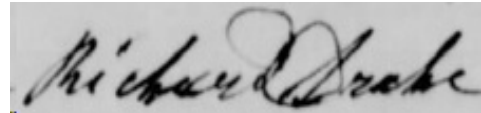


State of North Carolina Chatham County

This day came before me, Abraham G. Keen one of the acting Justices of the peace for the said County Richard Drake [pension application W3788] and made oath, That Philip Saunders was a Lieutenant in Capt. [Francis] Jones Company of Militia from the County of Halifax N.C. and that he served a tour of duty for three months between the years of 1775 & 1778 and that he acted as Lieutenant

under Capt Hurt and was in the battle of Gates defeat and from what I heard and believe he was in the service of his country nearly all the war.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this Eleventh day of April



State of North Carolina }  
Davidson County }

This 29 day of July AD 1833 Came before me Charles Hoover one of the justices of the peace for the County and State, Philip Saunders, an applicant to the United States for a Pension by way of supplement and amendment to his application heretofore made – and made oath, that he is unable after diligent search, to obtain any farther proof or specification of his services as in his Declaration, and amendment mentioned, except the proof which the evidence of Richard Drake and Joseph Johnston heretofore submitted discloses, and with the evidence of his good character, and belief in his services, heretofore submitted and an additional affidavit to that effect herewith appended, labouring under under old age – infirmities and poverty he submits his case to the wisdom of the Department – [undeciphered word] again under Oath as heretofore stated. That he served not less than twelve months, under Capt Eaton as a private in the Infantry in the regular services – that in the Militia under Capt Jones, he served not less than three months in the Horse as Lieutenant that in the malitia under Capt Hurt he served not less than three months in the Horse as Lieutenant, that in the Militia under Capt Powers, he served not less than three months in the Horse as Lieutenant – in all twelve months as a private and nine months as a Lieutenant – that he entered the service every time in the County of Halifax North Carolina – That whilst under Capt Jones he was marched with his Company to Fayetteville & in that section of the Country his company being attached to a regiment comanded by Col Hunter [possibly Thomas Hunter]. That whilst under the comanded of Capt Hurt he was marched to South Carolina, attached to a regement comanded by Col Sowel & was present at Gates defeat and at the affair near Charlott NC.

That whilst under Capt Powers in a Regiment comanded by Col Hawkins he was marchd to the Counties of Lenoir & Duplin & the Raft Swamp chiefly against the Tories and was engaged in several skirmishes with them – under this comand his company for some time assisted in guarding or protecting the Legislature of NC then in session at Wake CH

his services at the Guilford battle was or happend after his service under Capt Power had expired under Major Crowel who in anticipation of the battle at Guilford had raised a compay of Volunteer Horse in Halifax which affiant joint and was present at the batel of Guilford – when affiant made his orignal Declaration & amendment he did not make this specification, as from age & infirmity it was out of his mind, his mind however now is quite clear on the subject – this service however was only of three weeks duration, he therefore did not, nor does he now claim for this service – He claims a pension for his services under Capt Eaton, Capt. Jones – Capt Hurt and Capt Powers as herein and heretofore mentioned, or for so much of the service as the Department is satisfied under its rules and regulations that he performed – he states that he is aged, infirm & now crippled. that he cannot attend Court

Philip hisXmark Sanders

State of North Carolina } ss  
County of Davidson }

On this the 5 day of November AD Eighteen hundred and fifty three personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the county & state aforesaid Stephen Guesford a resident of Davidson County in the State aforesaid aged Eighty one years Who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following statement. he declares that he enlisted in Captain John Williams Company in the 6<sup>th</sup> Reght under the Command of Col. James Reid during the French disturbance A.D. 1800 [Quasi-War] and was stationed at Avesboro [sic: Averagesboro] on Cape Fare [Cape Fear] River in North Carolina and while at this place he got acquainted with Henry Sanders, who was also a Soldier in the same Regiment under Col. Reid in Captain Nicholes company and that

after he and Henry Sanders were discharge he came back to his home in Stokes county in North Carolina and Henry Sanders went to his home in Halifax County N.C. But while he and Henry Sanders aforesaid were in the Service the said Henry Sanders Father, Philip Sanders Came to the army and because his Son Henry was sick he got him furloughed and took him home with him and the said Henry Sanders was gone a few weeks and then returned and took his place in the army again. not long after that they were discharged and went home, as before stated, and some two or three years after he and the said Sanders parted at the army, the said Henry Sanders moved from Halifax County N.C into the same neighborhood where he lived where he renewed his acquaintance with said Henry, and has ever since that time been well acquainted with him, and he further states, that some few years after, Henry Sanders, aforesaid, moved to his neighborhood, that the said Henry Sanders's Father and Mother whoes name were Philip Sanders & Lydia his wife, moved also to the same neighborhood when and where he the said Guesford again renewed his acquaintace with Philip Sanders. the same man who came to the army stationed Avesboro and who took this same Henry Sanders home with him and acknowledged him to be his son. Now after they move to his neighborhood it was that he got acquainted with Philip Sanders wife Lydia the mother to the said Henry Sanders and that he the said Stephen Guesford Philip Sanders & wife Lydia and son Henry Sanders all Lived in the same neighborhood untill the death of the said Philip Sanders and wife Lydia and that the said Philip Sanders & wife Lydia always acknowledged the said Henry Sanders to be their son who was with him the service of the united States during the French disturbance aforesaid. And he further states that he believes that the said Henry Sanders to be about seventy five years old. And furth still he states that the said Philip Sanders was a pensioner of the united and that he is not interested in any mony that this affidavit may be use to collect        Stephen hisXmark Guesford

NOTE: On 13 Feb 1844 Henry Sanders, son and heir of Philip Sanders, applied for a pension in the right of his deceased mother and in behalf of himself and other heirs. He stated that Philip Sanders married Lydia Daniel in Halifax County NC in 1777, that he died 29 Apr 1839, and that she died 15 Dec 1842. In Forsyth County NC on 26 Mar 1853 Henry Sanders reapplied, stating that he was the eldest child of Philip and Lydia Sanders, being 75 since the previous 27 Dec, that his parents married in 1776, and that his mother died in Oct 1845. He listed their other children as follows: "Patsy who intermarrid with Solomon Proctor who is now dead the said Patsy him surviving & now alive in said County, Robert the third child moved to Tennessee & supposed to be dead not having been heard from for some 15 years Britton the fourth child is supposed to be dead when last heard from was among the Spaniards some 25 years ago, and Nancy the fifth and youngest child about fifty years old who intermarried with Wyatt Mitchell who is now dead leaving the said Nancy him surviving who now lives in said county of Forsyth.... That said Britton was never married and Robert had two children whose residence if alive is unknown." The application was denied because of insufficient proof of the marriage to Philip Sanders, the soldier.