

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Saxon R9241

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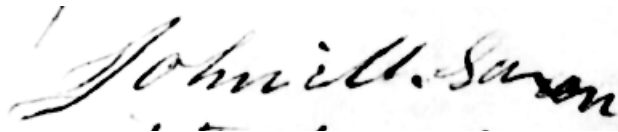
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State of Georgia County of Elbert: SS

On this fifth day of April 1853 personally appeared before the Inferior court of said County and State John M Saxon aged sixty-two years a resident of the County and State aforesaid 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 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows. That he is the son of Mary Saxon who was the widow of Hugh Saxon and that he is also the son of said Hugh Saxon who he deponent has been informed and verily believes rendered service in the war of the Revolution. That previous to the commencement of the said war said Hugh Saxon resided in Laurens district South Carolina, from which place he entered the military service of his country about the commencement of the Revolution but deponent is unable to say in what company or Regiment said Hugh Saxon served. That said Hugh Saxon continued in service the greater portion of the whole war as deponent always understood and that much of his service was rendered in Carolina but that previous to the close of the war said Hugh Saxon performed service in North Carolina and Virginia and was at Yorktown when Cornwallis surrendered. And he deponent further declares that he distinctly recollects seeing a military commission in the name of Hugh Saxon which was issued to said Hugh Saxon deponent's father during the war or shortly thereafter but what grade deponent does not now recollect and that said commission is now lost or destroyed. Deponent also states that he always understood that his father said Hugh Saxon lost a considerable amount of property during the war and that the State of South Carolina paid said Hugh Saxon for some horses lost at Colonel Hayes defeat [Joseph Hayes was captured and hung with a number of his men by William "Bloody Bill" Cunningham sometime in November 1781] and that the horses were appraised by Lewis Saxon and one Mr. Dunlap. Deponent also declares that he always understood his said father returned to his family in Laurens District South Carolina after the close of the war he having been married to one Miss Mary Saxon and had some children and that his said wife died on the 27th day of October 1782 and that said Hugh Saxon again intermarried with Mary Langdon the mother of deponent on the 19th day of February 1784, all of which will appear by reference to deponent's father's original family record herewith presented which deponent well recollects to have been known as his father's family record in the lifetime of his father said Hugh Saxon and has been so known him ever since his death and that said record is in the handwriting of said Hugh Saxon and that after the death of said Hugh Saxon the said record was kept in the possession of deponent's mother as long as she lived and that it has been in deponent's possession ever since the death of deponent's mother to the present time and has always been carefully preserved in a large Family Bible which was the property of deponent's father and is now in deponent's possession. Deponent further says that his

father said Hugh Saxon died in Franklin County Georgia on the 19th day of February 1805 which will appear by reference to said record & a copy of said Hugh Saxton's will herewith presented and that Mary Saxton the said wife of said Hugh Saxton (formerly Mary Langdon) deponent's mother survived her said husband remained a widow until the day of her death which took place on the 17th day of April 1838 which will appear by reference to said record & proofs herewith presented. Deponent also states that his father and mother said Hugh Saxon and Mary Langdon were married in Carolina and that he knows of no public record of the same. Deponent also declares that his said mother never asserted her claim to a pension and that he deponent does not believe she ever knew that she was entitled to a pension and that he deponent never knew certainly that his mother's heirs were entitled to a pension until the year 1852 for which reason the claim has not been earlier present and he deponent now claims a pension and makes this declaration in order to obtain a pension in the right of his mother the said Mary Saxon for himself & Lewis W Saxon & Jinsey Y. Burton, they being the whole of the children of said Mary Saxon now living or leaving heirs who survived the death of their mother. Deponent also states that he never knew or heard of any hue Saxon who did render any service in the Revolution or who possibly could have performed said service except his said father.

S/ John M Saxon



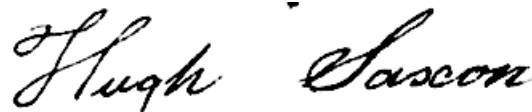
[fn p. 2: copy of the last will and testament of Hugh Saxon who describes himself as being a resident of Elbert County Georgia and naming his wife Mary Saxon, James W. Saxon, daughter Jinsey Saxon, son Perry F. Saxon and John M. Saxon; appoints Capt. Robert Thompson, Lewis U. Saxon and Mary Saxon his executors: registered September 13, 1805.]

[fn p. 9: family record:

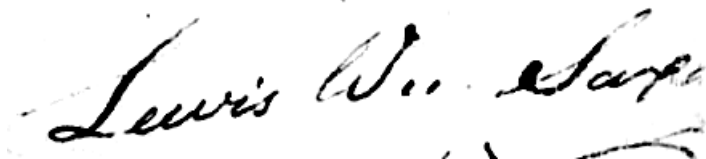
John Mager Saxon son of Hugh Saxon & Mary his wife was born the 6th day of July and in the year of our Lord 1790

Paten Randle Saxton son of Hugh Saxon and Mary his wife was born April 13th Day and in the year of our Lord 1797

August 12, 1802 Thursday morning between the hours of 2 & 3 o'clock Departed this life Paten R. Saxon who was much lamented by all that new [knew] him



February the 19th day Tuesday evening between the hours of 2 & [illegible] departed this life Hugh Saxon and left the 2nd wife and 4 children with her and was lamented by all that new [knew] him.



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Hugh Saxon son of Charles Saxon was born in the year of our Lord 1754 and on the 26th day of November &c

On December 25th Day 1778 then I Hugh Saxon was married to Mary Saxon
Martha Saxon daughter of Hugh Saxon and Mary his wife was born December 30th and in the
year of our Lord 1779

Sarah Saxon Daughter of Hugh Saxon and Mary his wife was born February the 6th day in the
year of our Lord 1781

Polly Saxon daughter of Hugh Saxon and Mary his wife was born October 27th Day in the year
of our Lord 1782 and then my wife died in child bed her age being 27 years she died in 2 hours
after she was delivered.

On February the 19th Day I Hugh Saxon was married to Mary Langdon in the year 1784

Lewis Washington Saxon son of Hugh Saxon was born December 11th day in the year of our
Lord 1784

Jinsey Yancey Saxon was born the 16th day of January in the year of our Lord 1786

Drury Thompson Saxon was born December 27th Day in the year of our Lord 1788]

[fn p. 14: copy of a Bill of sale dated December 9, 1784 from Hugh Saxon to Patrick
Cunningham by which Saxon conveyed to Cunningham all his right title and interest in amounts
due him from the state of South Carolina pursuant to the returns of Colonel Robert Anderson in
the amount of 613 pounds old currency.]

[fn p. 15: compensation granted Hugh Saxon by the state of South Carolina for a sorrel mare
taken by the enemy under Cunningham at Hayes station; mare valued at 90 pounds by William
Dunlap & Lewis Saxon – May 16 1783.]

[fn p. 19: certificate dated May 4th, 1853 from the South Carolina Comptroller listing payments
made to Hugh Saxon for military service and property lost during the revolution.]