

**Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of Samuel Turner S17157

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the seventh of June 1832  
 On this 11th day of June A.D. 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court in and for the County of Ralls Samuel Turner a resident of said County of Ralls and State of Missouri aged 75 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 act of Congress passed June seventh 1832. That he entered the service of the United States as a Militia man of the Virginia line or troops and served in the Revolutionary War in the year 1781 under the following officers herein after named

A Statement Showing the Service of Samuel Turner of Ralls County Missouri

Period when Service was Rendered	Duration of Claimants Service: Months	Rank of the Claimant	Names & Ranks of the Company officers under whom he served	Names & Rank of General & field officers	Battles which the applicant was Engaged	Counties through which he marched	Place of abode when he entered the Service Age at the present time	Evidence by which the claim is support
1781	3	private	Capt. Robt Pollard Lieut. Jake Gains	Genl. Muhlenberg Col. Slaughter	Petersburg <sup>1</sup>	Virginia	75 years Culpeper Virginia	Traditionary

<sup>1</sup> The battle of Petersburg was fought April 25, 1781

1781	3	"	Capt. F. Covington Major Williams Gen. Stephens [Edward Stevens] Col. Jas Barbour & Ed Edwards N. Welsh		York	Virginia	"	
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He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any state or Territory.

Sworn and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Samuel Turner, X his mark

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Interrogatories by the Court

Question – Where and in what year were you born

Answer I was born in A.D. 1758 Culpeper Virginia

Question by same have you any record of your age & if so where is it

Answer I have had one but it was burned in my grandfather's

Question by same Where were you living when called into service

Answer Culpeper County State of Virginia

Question where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live

Answer part of my time in Clark County Kentucky and balance in Ralls County Missouri where I now live

Question how were you called into service

Answer I was drafted and no Captain Gabriel Jones was a Regular and killed at the battle George [indecipherable end of word or new word] was a regular soldier but his term was out during the time I was in the service

Question by court did you ever receive a discharge & if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it

Answer I did but have lost it, it was given to me but by whom I can't recollect

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify as to your character for veracity

Answer Colonel William Grey & Jeremiah Vardiman

[Jeremiah Vardiman, a clergyman, and William Grey gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Facts in file: the veteran died April 17, 1847 leaving children whose names are not stated in the file. The file contains no discernible family data.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for six months in the Virginia militia.]