

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Baley S30258

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The State of Indiana, Switzerland County: SS

Be it remembered that on the 3rd day of June 1818 before me William [last name obliterated], one of the associate judges of the Circuit court in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Samuel Bayley [sic], aged about fifty-eight years, a resident citizen of the United States, who, after being duly sworn, according to law, (in order to obtain the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War,") doth, and did depose declare and say that he entered into the service of the United Colonies raised to obtain and defend American Liberty and Independence, by enlisting in the year __ in the 96th district of South Carolina, under Captain Francis Prince of the 3rd Regiment of South Carolina, commanded by Colonel Isaac Ogee [sic, Isaac Huger], and served 9 months, and he was honorably discharged on Pacolet River [sic, Pacolet River] SC by Captain Francis Prince. He was in the battle of Sullivan's Island, after which battle, the 3rd Regiment together with Colonel Sumpter's [sic, Thomas Sumter's] Regiment, under the command of Brigadier General Andrew Williamson, were ordered on the Indian frontier. -- That he has no pension allowed him by the Congress of the United States to his knowledge; but if any should exist he hereby releases the same fully and entirely to the United States and finally, that from the reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support.

S/ Saml Baley

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 3rd day of June A.D. 1818

S/ William Cotton, Judge

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The State of Indiana, Switzerland County: SS

Personally appeared before me James McClure one of the associate judges of the Circuit Court in and for the County aforesaid, came personally Samuel Bayley who after being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he enlisted in the month of May 1776, under Captain Francis Prince, Lieutenant Field Farrow [sic, Field Farrar] and Edward Hampton, of Isaac Ogee's [sic, Isaac Huger,'s] Regiment, (John Tutt, was afterwards appointed as Major) Captain Cooper's company was also attached to the same Regiment -- he was killed in a battle with the Cherokee

Indians about the time that Hite's family was murdered on the Indian lines. Nicholas Starns, ___ Allfriends, and orderly Sergeant Robert Prince served with me in the same company and further saith not.

S/ Saml. Baley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of March A.D. 1819

S/ James McClure, Associate Judge

State of Kentucky Campbell County: SS

On the 27th day of May 1833, personally appeared before the Justices of the Campbell County Court Samuel Baley, a resident of the aforesaid State and County aged seventy-five 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 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1776, in the month of February or March the number of the Regiment, I do not recollect, but the names of the officer I remember were, the following are their names and rank the is, Colonel Isaac Ogee [sic, Isaac Huger], Captain Frank Prince, Field Farrow [sic, Field Farrar] first Lieutenant, Edward Hampton second Lieutenant, Thomas France Ensign, Robert France first Sergeant he enlisted for 9 months and served out the full time and received an honorable discharge, and full pay and at the time I was discharged there were many others discharged also and we were compelled to continue in the service two months longer, as we could not leave the Army being forty miles from the inhabited parts of the Country and surrounded by Indians, and we continued with the same officers under the same discipline, and received the same pay -- I cannot state the precise time when I left the *service, but thinks it was in the month of January*¹. When I enlisted I resided in the State of South Carolina in Ninety Six district and enlisted at a muster held in said district at the house of William Grant, my Brother commanded the Company. The first place we marched to after my enlistment was to Charleston the Capital of the State, and stayed there 2 or 3 weeks, and was then ordered to St. John's Island to guard that Island and stayed there about one month, then returned to Charleston again and from thence to the Indian lines, where the Indians had murdered Colonel Hyte² end family, Captain Hampton and wife. And from thence to White Hall where General Williamson [sic, then Major Andrew Williamson] resided, and from thence to Tugaloo town and at that town, in the night, as we were marching up to the gate, I was one of the advance guard, there was a gun flashed at the guard from the gate, and then a battle commenced the Indians firing at us from behind a fence, and it was generally believed that Simon Girty commanded the Indians and was the one that flashed his gun at us, as we were marching to the gate, the Battle lasted about one hour, and we defeated the Indians, but lost 5 of our men, one among the slain was a certain Gentlemen from the state of Georgia by the name of Salvadore [Francis Salvador] and several wounded.³ The Indians then retreated to the horse shoe Bend, a distance of 60 or 70 miles when we pursued them, passing through on our way General

¹ Text in italics only appears in the HeritageQuest version of this application. In the Footnote.com version, the last 2 lines are partially obscured by the paper having been folded over the text.

² I assume this is a reference to Jacob Hite. Frontier settler, Jacob Hite, and his family were attacked by renegade Cherokees. Hite was killed outright and his wife and two daughters kidnapped. The Cherokee's raid on Hite's residence triggered an invasion of the Cherokee Nation. Mrs. Hite was killed by the Indians. This event is said to have occurred on July 1, 1776 near Greer in what is today Greenville County, South Carolina. An historical marker can be viewed at <http://www.hmdb.org/marker.asp?marker=24254> (viewed 7/15/10)

³ August 31, 1776

Rutherford's Army, from North Carolina, and the next day after passing that Army, we overtook the Indians and had a severe battle, which lasted about 2 hours. I was in the battle and we lost many of our men and among my acquaintances, one was killed from the same tree that I stood behind by the name of Enoch Hoopers [Enoch Hooper?] and part of his brains flew in my face, as he was shot in the head -- we defeated the Indians, and pursued them to the West fork of Tennessee River, passing through several Indian towns, and we burned all their houses, and cut up all their corn and for the corn, it being ripe, and from thence we returned to Tugaloo Fort, and suffered much for the want of provisions on our way, as we had burnt all the corn, when we were compelled to eat the burnt fragments that were left of the corn, and there I obtained my discharge, which I kept for many years, and I do not recollect what I have done with it, as I considered it of no value to me.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the any Agency of any State, and the Union or United States.

S/ Samuel Baley

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Attest: S/ John N. Taliaferro, Clerk

S/ Samuel Baley

[Richard Tarvin, a clergyman, and Samuel Baker, JP, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

When and in or year were you born?

I was born in the year 1758, on the 16th day of August, according to the record of my Father's Bible, which record I remember to have seen, but do not know where it is now and I was born in Buckingham County in the State of Virginia, and when I entered the service I lived in the State of South Carolina in Ninety Six district, and when I left the Army I removed to Virginia and from there I came to the State of Kentucky in the County of Campbell, and lived there about 7 or 8 years and from there I moved to Harrison County of the same State, and from there I moved to the State of Indiana, and lived there 9 years, and some months, and from there I again came to Kentucky in Campbell County where I now live.

How were you called into service? I enlisted for the term of 9 months, and stayed the full time, and 2 months after my enlistment expired.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of 36 dollars 66 cents per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 11 months service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]