

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Rhodes S35045

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Hawkins County State of Tennessee: May Sessions 1818

On this 27th day of May 1818 personally appeared in open Court Samuel Rhodes aged sixty-three years, resident in the County of Hawkins State aforesaid, who being duly sworn in open Court according to law deposeth & saith that he the said Samuel enlisted in Botetourt County State of Virginia in the Company Commanded by Captain Wallace [Andrew Wallace of the 12th Virginia Regiment] who was killed in the battle of Guilford, when this Deponent was present, that afterwards J. Anderson commanded said Company in which said Deponent served that the Deponent enlisted sometime in June or July in the year 177? [last digit written over and illegible] for 18 months, that he continued to serve in said Corps until December 1791 [sic] when he was discharged by said Captain Anderson at Salisbury [North Carolina], having served the 18 months honorably, as will more fully appear [by] reference being had to a copy of his discharge the original having been given by this Deponent to a certain David Mason High Sheriff of Botetourt County to whom the Deponent sold his pay shortly after he was discharged, that the Regiment to which he belonged was this 2nd commanded by Colonel [name written over and illegible, could be "Stevens"] under the command of General Greene [Nathanael Greene]. That besides the battle of Guilford this Deponent was in that of Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781] and that of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] and at the Siege of Ninety Six [May 22-June 19, 1781]. This Deponent further states that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other Evidence now in his power of his said services & that he has never received any pension from the United States. [Attested by Stokely D. Mitchell, clerk of Hawkins County Tennessee]

State of Tennessee Hawkins County: February Sessions 1820

On this 29th day of August 1820 Personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record, for said County Samuel Rhodes, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration. That he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. Enlisted in Captain John Anderson's Company 2nd Regiment Virginia line for 18 months. That he has received a Pension Certificate now in his possession number 12,143, that his first declaration was made in the said County Court of Hawkins about the 27th day of May 1818 to which he refers for a more full account of his said Services. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor

has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed, the is one Horse aged twenty-one years about 15 hands high & blind of one eye, one ditto five years old next spring about 14 1/2 hands high, four head of cattle, eight sheep about ten Head of hogs, viz. one sow & nine pigs, two pots, 1/2 dozen pewter plates, 1/2 dozen knives & forks, two basons. That I am by occupation a Farmer, but being more than about 67 years old and very infirm and not able to support myself. My wife is about 74 years old and have a son at present living with me aged thirty-four years, who is frequently unable to [balance of this document is missing from Fold3.com. but is found in HeritageQuest.com as follows] work being not very Stout, but who can leave me when he thinks proper to do so, not being under my control, these are the only persons comprising my family – and I am so frail, feeble & superannuated & crippled that I am unable to support myself without the assistance of my County [sic]. Sworn to & subscribed in open court

S/ Samuel Rhodes, X his mark

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| 1 Horse aged 21 years | \$10 |
| 1 do aged 5 years | 70 |
| 4 Head cattle | 30 |
| 8 sheep | 10 |
| 1 sow & 9 pigs | 6 |
| 2 pots | 3 |
| 1/2 Doz. Pewter plates | 1.50 |
| 1/2 Doz. Knives & forks | 1 |
| 2 Basons | <u>1.50</u> |
| | \$133.00 |

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The Bearer hereof Samuel Roads [sic] in the 2nd Virginia detachment and in Captain John Anderson's Company having served till the last day of December 1781 the term for which he was engaged is hereby Discharged from the Service and we further certify that the said Samuel Roads behaved as a brave faithful Soldier

Given at Salisbury this 17th day of January 1782

S/ J Anderson Capt.

S/ S Snead Major Comr.

A true Copy

J. L. Mason

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 27, 1818, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]