

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Semple (Sample) S36750

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The State of Indiana Gibson County: SS

Be it remembered that on the 19th of June 1818 Before me the undersigned Subscriber one of the Judges of the Gibson Circuit Court and State aforesaid Personally came and appeared Thomas Sample aged seventy-one years on the 22nd day of June Just; resident in our said County of Gibson who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by 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, that he the said Thomas Sample enlisted in the service of the United States in Captain John Baugh in Colonel Hughges [sic, Isaac Huger's?] Regiment in the State of South Carolina in the spring of the year of 1777 and that he continued in the service of the United States 12 months and received a honorable discharge by Captain Baugh at Fort Charlotte in the State aforesaid, that he was in the battle of the locking [?] of the Seneca Town and at the Battle [of] Kewee Town, and he was wounded by the Indians while in the service of the US and he further states that he was in the US service previous to his enlistment as a militia man under Captain Pickens afterwards General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] and that he served also as a militia man under the command of Captain Darberrough [sic ? Darborough?] and that he was in the Battle whilst under Darborough with the Tories and was taken prisoner by them, and that he served in the year 1779 under the command of Captain James Wilson of the Pennsylvania Troops commanded by Colonel James Chambers and General Wayne that he served at that time about 7 months as well as he can recollect and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his services.

S/ Thomas Semple



Subscribed and sworn to before made this 19th day of June 1818

S/ Jesse Emmerson

In the Gibson Circuit Court October Term A.D. 1820

District of Indiana Gibson County SS

On this 19th day of October in the year of our Lord 1820 Personally appeared in open

Court it being a court of record created as such by the Constitution and laws of this State Thomas Sample aged seventy-four years last June resident within said district who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, to wit. That he enlisted in the Revolutionary War in the spring of 1777 or 1778 but cannot be positive as to the time under Captain John Buoy [sic, John Buie] in the 2nd or 3rd South Carolina Regiments commanded by Colonel Hughgee [Isaac Huger] for the term of eighteen months and served during the whole time and was discharged at Fort Charlotte in South Carolina by Captain John Buoy and that he again enlisted under Captain James Wilson at the White house in Chester County State of Pennsylvania of the first Pennsylvania Regiment commanded by Colonel James Chambers for the time of twelve months and that he served his term out and was discharged at Jockey Holler in New Jersey by Colonel James Chambers, and that he has been in the following Battles, to which, the Battle of Seneca in the Cherokee nation where he received a severe wound in the hand which has disabled him from that day to this. The battle of Stony Point on the North River & the Battle at Bargain Point North River above New York.

He his original Declaration for the purpose of procuring a pension from the United States was made on the 19th day of June 1818 and a pension certificate granted him the 7th day of July 1819 numbered 12810.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 following is a Schedule of Thomas sample's property, to wit, one horse, 2 cows and calves, 14 head of hogs, one Ewe and lamb, one plow, one hoe, 2 axes, one pair of horse gear, one pair Traces, two clevices [?], 2 single tree Irons, one saddle, 2 bridles, one kettle, one pot, one tin kettle, one flat iron, some cupboard furniture, 3 chairs, one grubbing hoe, one pail, one bucket, and one shot gun and I owe about \$124 to the best of my recollection and I have owing to me \$30, and I have the following family to wit, my wife Margaret Sample aged fifty-five years who is very much afflicted with the Rheumatic pains and has been for this number of years and totally incapable of doing any business – my occupation is a farmer but have not been able to do any labor for some time in consequence of the wound I received in the Army and being afflicted with the Rheumatic pains in the shoulders, and further this deponent sayeth not.

And the court upon examination are of opinion that the property of the said Thomas Sample is worth \$136 not including the debts due to him or those which he owes.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 19 1818 for one-year service as a private in the South Carolina Continental line.]