

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of James Saxon S38348
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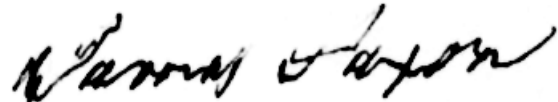
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The State of South Carolina, Laurens District

Before me Charles Jones: Colcock one of the associate Judges of the court of common pleas and quarter sessions of the said State, at Laurens Court House, personally appeared James Saxon aged 62 years who declares on oath for the purpose of obtaining the provision made by an act of Congress passed on the __ day of __ 1818 for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States during the Revolutionary War: that he the said James Saxon enlisted as a private Soldier at Camden in the State on the 25th day of July 1775, in the company commanded by Captain Eli Kershaw in the third Regiment of South Carolina provincial troops of the regular line commanded by Colonel William Thompson [sic, William Thomson], that he continued to serve in the said Corps for six months the term of his enlistment and was discharged at Camden. That he reenlisted in the spring of the year 1776 in the company commanded by Captain Francis Boykin of the same Regiment at Camden in this State that he continued to do duty as a private soldier in that Corps and in the service of the United States until the month of August 1777 having served during his last enlistment near or about 18 months: that in the month of August 1777 he was regularly & honorably discharged at the Eutaw Springs in South Carolina. That he was in no principle or important engagement except the attack on Fort Moultrie by Sir Peter Parker; but that he was in several skirmishes: That he has now no other evidence of his said Services than what is herewith furnished, and that he is in indigent circumstances and Stands in need of the assistance of his country for Support.

Sworn to before me 13 April 1819

S/ James Saxon

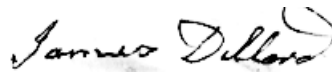


S/ C. J. Colcock
South Carolina, Laurens District

Major James Dillard¹ a makes oath that he was personally acquainted with James Saxon who has made the foregoing Declaration that he knows that the said James Saxon did serve as a private soldier in the Regiment which is above mentioned for than nine months and the deponent believes with good reason that he served the term of 18 months as he has above declared. Deponent knows that he was at Fort Moultrie at the attack on Sullivan's Island & then in the service of the United States.

Sworn to 13 April 1819 he before me.

S/ James Dillard



S/ John Garlington, Clk of Laurens Dist. & QS

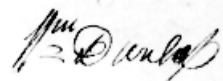
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¹ [James Dillard S6797](#)

Major William Dunlop² makes oath that he is personally acquainted with James Saxon who has made the foregoing Declaration and knows him to be old, poor and helpless and in indigent circumstances, and verily believes he stands in need of the provision made by Congress for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Service of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

Sworn to before me the 13th April 1819.

S/ Wm Dunlop



S/ John Garlington, Clk of Laurens Dist. & Q S

Schedule

District of Lawrence-- On this 18th day of April 1822 personally appeared in open court in the Circuit Court being a Court of Record for said District James Saxon age 68 years resident in the 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, in the third Regiment commanded by Col. William Thomson and company commanded by Captain Francis Boykin of the South Carolina line, that on the 13th day of April 1819 in the Circuit Court holden for the District of Laurens, he made his Declaration in conformity with the law of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 & that he afterwards received from the secretary of war a certificate that he was inscribed on the pension list Roll of the South Carolina agency at the rate of eight dollars per month to commence on the 13th day of April 1819, which certificate is stated to be registered in Book B Volume 9 page 163 on which certificate he has received the sum of \$85 and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18 day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, Sale, or in any manner disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress 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 property or any income other than what is contained in my schedule, to wit: Books estimated as worth Fifty Dollars, a small Bay mare estimated as worth Twenty Dollars, and twelve head of sheep as worth Eighteen dollars amount in the whole to be \$88, that for a number of years past I have been a [illegible word] or farmer but from infirmity I am now entirely unable to labor being scarcely able to walk out of the House that I have a wife named Anna aged 65 years, and a daughter Sally aged 22 residing with me, who can contribute but little towards my support. Sworn to and declared in open court the 18th of April 1822.

S/ James Saxon

S/ John Garlington, Clk

A schedule of property sworn to and returned by James Saxon the within named deponent Viz., looks estimated as worth 50, a small Bay mare \$20, 12 head of sheep \$18 -- \$88.

S/ James Saxon

[On April 30th 1835, Saxon filed a claim under the act of June 7, 1832, but the digital images of that application on both Footnote.com and HeritageQuest.com are so faint as to be almost entirely illegible. No attempt has been made to transcribe them here.]

[Letter from the National Archives states that he died about February 1836 in Autauga County, Alabama.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 13, 1819 for 18 months service as a private in the South Carolina Continental line.]

² [William Dunlap W2723](#)