

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Samuel S41117

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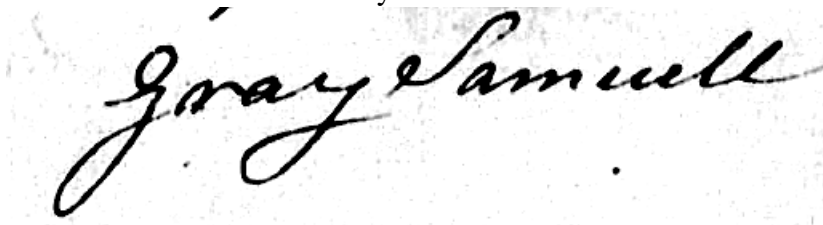
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The declaration of James Samuel of Caroline County State of Virginia made on oath before the court of said County this 14th day of April 1818 – being sworn said Samuel declares that [he] enlisted & entered the northern Army in Captain John Webb's company in the 7th Regiment – General Woodford's brigade about the year 1777 or 1778 served about three years was taken prisoner during his service at Charleston [Charleston South Carolina was surrendered on May 12, 1780] & was fourteen months confined – that he was as he believes exchanged at the end of said fourteen months – that he served both in the northern & southern Army – he had a regular discharge at the end of the war which he has lost – He also declares that he is so reduced in circumstances as to need the assistance of his country for his support.

S/ James Samuel, X his mark

I Gray Samuel¹ of the County of Caroline and State of Virginia do certify that James Samuel of said State & County enlisted and went in the northern Army with General Woodford & served three years. Given under my hand this 13th day of April 1818

S/ Gray Samuel

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gray Samuel". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper background.

State of Virginia, Caroline County – Sct.

On this 10th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record, for the County aforesaid, James Samuel aged about sixty-eight years, resident in said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows: in the 1st Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Heth & part of the time Colonel Russell & was at the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] as stated in his declaration dated the 8th day of February 1819 on which he received a pension Certificate No. 6830

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

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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. Property – 2 horses 7 head of cattle – family wife named Wineford aged about fifty years – daughters Betsy about thirty years old Stella about twenty-eight & Fanney about twenty-five years old sons James about twelve (sickly) Gabriel about ten years old Georgia about eight years old – occupation a farmer

Sworn to and declared on the 10th day of July 1820 before the court of the County aforesaid.

S/ James Samuel, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per annum commencing April 14, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to James Samuel S41117

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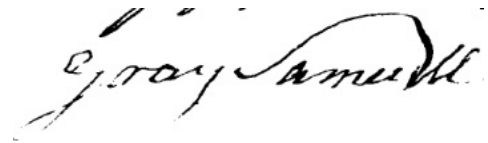
[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I William Reynolds [S582] a Revolutionary Pensioner of the County of Carolina and State of Virginia, going on seventy four years of age, to hereby certify that I was well acquainted with James Samuel late of the County aforesaid, and know that the said Samuel Enlisted in the Revolutionary War at some period (I donot now know, as a private for three years and served his time out but under whom he served or to what Regiment he belonged I donot now recollect, and I further certify that the said Samuel was a pensioner at the time of his death. Given under my hand this 8 day of September 1834

William hisXmark Reynolds

I Gray Samuell do hereby Certify that I am a Revolutionary Pensioner going on seventy five years of age and that I was an orderly Seargent in the Second Virginia Regiment of Infantry in the Revolutionary War and was well acquainted with James Samuell late of the County of Caroline and State of Virginia, and know that the said Samuell enlisted some time during the Revolutionary War for three years, and served his time fully out and I further certify that the said Samuell belonged to the same Regiment with myself, and that the Regiment was Commanded by Col Brent [William Brent VAS2639] & Gen'l Mughlingberg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850]

Given under my hand this 13th day of Sept 1834



The Affidavit of John Robinson taken before me this 15 day of Sept 1834. This affiant, being first duly sworn according to law states upon oath, that he is now seventy four year of age and that he was well acquainted with James Samuel late of the County of Caroline and state of Virginia, both before & after the Revolutionary War and swears to his knowledge that the said Samuel Enlisted in the said war as a private and served more than three years in the regular service of his Country in the Continental line, but which officer Enlisted under or in which Regiment [undeciphered] he the said affiant cannot now recollect; the affiant further [several illegible words] services, and further this affiant saith not

John hisXmark Robinson

To he Executive of Virginia [18 March 1840]

The petition of Atwell Samuel of the County of Caroline Respectfully represents that he is one of the Heirs of the late James Samuel a Revolutionary soldier who lived and died in the county aforesaid

He further says that he believes that his Father served an enlistment during the war of the Revolution of at least three or four years having often heard him speak of it and also that his Father the said James Samuel never did receive the land bounty promised him by the State of Virginia He therefore prays that the Heirs of s'd James may be allowed the land bounty and he begs leave to offer the accompanying evidence as proof of the faithful service of the said James and your petitioner will ever pray

[signed] Atwell Samuel