## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Gordon S41585 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. VA

State of North Carolina

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of law & Equity for the said state, personally appeared Charles Gordon aged fifty eight years, resident in Guilford County in the said state, who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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 Charles Gordon enlisted for the term of Eighteen Months in the month of March in the year 1779 in Chesterfield Co in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Tarlton Payne of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Richard Parker in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the Expiration of the said Eighteen months, when he was discharged from service in Chesterfield state of Virginia that he was in the battles of the Seige of Savanna [sic: Siege of Savannah, 24 Sep - 19 Oct 1779], the battle of Little York, when Cornwallis Surrendered [Siege of Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] 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 said services, except the affidavit of Wm. Gordon appended to this declaration.

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid.

Cho. Gordon

State of North Carolina.

I William Gordon of Caswell County, North Carlina having read & considered the declaration of Charles Gordon of Guilford County, to which this is appended, do make Oath, that I was well acquainted with the said Charls Gordon while he was in the service aforesaid, & that the several matters of fact stated in his said declaration are true [signed] William Gordon

State of North Carolina } Superior Court of Law Guilford County } October Term AD 1820

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Guilford Charles Gordon Aged sixty three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his Oath declare that that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows; That he enlisted in Amelia County State of Virginia in the Spring of 1779 for the term of eighteen months in a Company Commanded by Capt Tarleton Paine which Company was attached to a Regiment Commanded by Col Richard Parker of the Virginia line on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in said Corps until the latter part of the year of 1781 when he was dischared in Richmond in the State of Virginia. That he was at the Siege of Savannah and at the Siege of York. That he the said Charles Gordon at October Term of the Superior Court of Law for Guilford County made a Declaration on Oath before the Honourable Joseph John Daniel then the presiding Judge of said Court in order to obtain the benefit of an Act of Congress passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March AD 1818. And that he received a Certificate from the war department dated 16<sup>th</sup> day of June AD 1819 and Numbered 12,038

And I the said Charles Gordon 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 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 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.

(Schedule)

One hundred and nine Acres of land which was valued by the public Assessor under the late act of Congress at \$2.50 cts pr acre

Two work horses; four head of Cattle; twenty head of Hogs; Six head of Sheep; One Cupboard 2 tables, four chairs; ½ dozen plates; One set of knives & forks; 2 water pails, 2 tubs, 1 Chest, one flax wheel

And Gordon

That he the said Charles Gorden is a Farmer but is unable from age and defect in his Sight to labour – he has lost the sight of one eye entirely and the sight of the other eye is very much impaired That his family who live consists of his wife Lucy Gorden who is about sixty three years of age and in an ill state of health. Rebecca Gordon his daughter is about fifteen years of age – Sophia Gordon his Daughter is about thirteen years of age – And his son Green Gordon is about twenty years of age and does not enjoy good health

That he has no debts due him from any person or persons. And that he is indebted to sundry persons; in all about fifty dollars