

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Stephen Garrison S46444

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[Alabama, Lawrence County]

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the Act entitled an act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the revolution approved on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1828 I Stephen Garrison of the County of Lawrence State of Alabama do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the revolution for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Captain Anthony Sharp's [Anthony Sharpe's] company in the 4<sup>th</sup> North Carolina Regiment commanded by Archibald Litle [Archibald Lytle] Colonel of the North Carolina line. And I also declare that I afterwards ought to have received (but did not) certificates for the reward of \$80: to which I was entitled, under a resolve of Congress, passed the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1778. And I further declare that I was not on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1828 on the pension list of the United States. Witness my hand this ninth day of August 1828.

S/ Stephen Garrison, X his mark

State of Alabama, Lawrence County

On this ninth day of August 1828 the above Stephen Garrison made affidavit that he received an honorable discharge at the close of the war – that said discharge has been lost.

S/ Stephen Garrison, X his mark

Sworn and subscribed, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 1828

S/ Peter W. Taylor, Judge County Court

[p 6: John Garrison, son of the applicant, gave supporting affidavit in Lawrence County, Ala. in 1828. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

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Revolutionary Claims

Treasury Department,

23 January 1829

Stephen Garrison of \_\_ in the County of Lawrence in the State of Alabama has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in Captain Sharp 's Company, in the regiment of the North Carolina line; and that he did not received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826,

nothing,

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary  
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,  
Third Auditor's Office,  
26 January 1829

~~It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to \_\_\_ in the \_\_\_~~

It further appears that Stephen Garrison is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826 ~~at the rate of \_\_\_ dollars per month.~~

The name of Stephen Garrison cannot be found among those of the North Carolina line to whom Certificates for the gratuity of Eighty Dollars were issued.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office  
7 May 1829

The records of this Office do not show that Stephen Garrison of the No. Carolina line ever received or is entitled to bounty land of the United States.

S/ Robert Taylor

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State of Alabama, Morgan County: Personally appeared before me John B. Irvin a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid or Robert Wilson<sup>1</sup> aged 72 years appearing of sound mind and he, after being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that he was well acquainted with Stephen Garrison a Soldier in the revolutionary war longing to the first Company, and first Regiment of the North Carolina line, commanded by Captain Sharp and that he was well acquainted with the said Stephen Garrison for two or three years while in the service as a Soldier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1829.

Attest: S/ John E. Irvin, JP

S/ Robert Wilson, X his mark

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15 Oct 1829

Moulton September 28, 1829

Hon. T. D. Ingham Secretary of the Treasury U. S. Yours of 25<sup>th</sup> of July last has just come to hand. I am sorry to give you so much trouble about my claim under the Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution of the 15 May 1828. You say the further evidence transmitted in support of my claim under the above mentioned act has been examined but not found satisfactory. Please be so good as to write me in what the insufficiency consist, without this information particularly given it will be next to impossible to supply the defect. I enlisted in the 4<sup>th</sup> North Carolina Regiment of the North Carolina Line, but as I have been informed by Robert Wilson of the County of Morgan in this state, when the three-year & eighteen month men were discharged the Regiment being much reduced we were put in or attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment. I have an officer who

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1 [Robert Wilson S38476](#)

was both lieutenant and Adjutant by the name of Curtis Ivy<sup>2</sup> who lives in the Western part of Tennessee as soon as I can do so I will get his deposition and send it to you. Be so good as to write me the information I request for the deposition of Ivy may well be insufficient and I am very desirous to obtain & forward to you a sufficiency of testimony if persons who served with me can be found. Mr. Robert Wilson is a pensioner under a former act of Congress.

With esteem yours &c  
S/ Stephen Garrison



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State of North Carolina, Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the muster rolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Stephen Garrison a private in the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment (Captain's name not given) was mustered in August 1779 for the term of three years. He also appears mustered as a private in Captain Sharpe's Company of said Regiment in the year 1782. The length of time for which this enlistment was made is not mentioned, neither is anything said of his discharge. It appears from a Book in this Office called, "The Warrant book," that a Warrant was issued for the services of Stephen Garrison as a Soldier for the war, drawn by Colonel Armstrong in April 1784, at a time when such Warrants were issued by the Secretary of State on the certificates of Field Officers.

Given under my hand at Office in Raleigh this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1830.

S/ Wm Hill

[p 10: David Garrison, son of the applicant, while a resident of Walker County, Alabama, gave a power of attorney to his brother, Silas M. Garrison, to pursue whatever claims the heirs of Stephen Garrison might have. Given September 30, 1857. He signed this document with his mark.]

[p 13: Mary Farley, child of Stephen Garrison, and a resident of Lawrence County, Ala., gave her brother Silas M. Garrison a similar power of attorney, dated January 20, 1858. She signed this document with her mark.]

[p 21: On January 18, 1858 in Hancock County Alabama, John Garrison, a child of Stephen Garrison executed a power of attorney appointing his brother Silas M Garrison to act in his behalf. He signed this document with his mark.]

[p 25: On January 23 18 58 in Walker County Alabama, J Reddin Garrison, a child of Stephen Garrison executed a power of attorney in favor of his brother Silas M Garrison. He signed this document with his mark.]

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State of Alabama, Lawrence County

Be it known that, before me David L. Dinsmore, a justice of the Peace in & for the County aforesaid, duly authorized by law to administer oaths personally appeared Silas M. Garrison and made oath in due form of law, that he is the legitimate son of Stephen Garrison, the identical person who was a Pensioner & is now dead, and to whom a Certificate of Pension was issued: And that the Pension Certificate of said Pensioner has been lost and after due search and inquiry therefore it cannot be found;

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<sup>2</sup> [Curtis Ivey BLWt1174-200](#) [no papers]

that the deceased Pensioner resided in that portion old Walker County which is now called Hancock County in the State of Alabama for the space of about 15 years before his death and that previous thereto he resided in the State of South Carolina.

Sworn & subscribed the fourth day of January 1858 before me.

S/ D. L. Dinsmore, JP

S/ Silas M. Garrison, X his mark

[p 19: In January 1858, Christopher C. Gewin, a Judge of Probate in Lawrence County, Alabama gave an affidavit stating that Stephen Garrison was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$6.66 per month; that Garrison died in Hancock County Alabama on January 3, 1841; that he left no widow; but left the following surviving children: Silas M. Garrison, John Garrison, David Garrison, Reddin Garrison & Mary Farley.]

[p 28: On May 25, 1891 in Winston County Alabama, Silas M Garrison, 82, a resident of Ellaville in Winston County made application as the only heir and son of Stephen Garrison for the bounty land due his father for about 4 years and 8 months service as a soldier in the revolution; he states his father died in Winston County Alabama on March 20, 1864 while in possession of a land warrant for 640 acres of land which was destroyed by the burning of the residents of his deceased daughter Mrs. Melinda Townley ne Garrison in the year 1846; said warrant never having been located; that said Melinda Townley resided in Jefferson County near Elyton at the time of her residence burned. He signed this document with his mark.]

[p 33: On May 25, 1891 in Winston County Alabama, Dennis Garrison, 72, a resident of Guin Pond in Lawrence County Alabama gave testimony in support of the application of Silas M Garrison abstracted above. He does not state his relationship, if any, to the veteran. He signed this document with his mark.]