

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Sams S6049

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State of Virginia

Monroe County SS

On the 22 day of August 1832 personally
In open court (for said county) now siting Samuel
Sams a resident of Virginia in the County of Monroe
aged seventy four years who being first duly sworn
according to said doth on his oath make the following
declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of
the act of Congrefs pasfed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States
Under the following named officers and served
as herein stated.

That he substituted and served six months
in the malitia for one William Dickey who was
drafted from the County of Augusta in the State of
Virginia some time in the year 1780_he thinks
in the latter part of the same year at which time
he was a resident of the County of Augusta in
the State of Virginia he served under Capt.

James Tate commanded by Major Frank Triplet [Francis Triplett]

Who was from the County of Fauquier in the State afo
re said the regular officers were Col. Howard [John Eager Howard], Major
Brooks and Genl. Morgan [Daniel Morgan] he marched to South Carolina
and was in the Battle of the Cowpens

in January 1781. That he was with a company when

Col Washington [William Washington] took about one hundred Torys
prisoners at Rugeleys Mills [Rugeley's Mill, December 4, 1780]_he marched to Salsbury
[Salisbury]

in North Carolina and was discharged at that

place After returning home he was drafted for

a three month tour in June 1781 as he believes from the
said County of Augusta his Capt. was John Campbell,

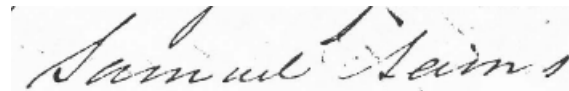
Col Cameron [Charles Cameron] and Maj. Long. He marched to the
lower part of Virginia and was at the siege of

York in the fall of the year 1781. That he was one

of the troops who guarded the prisoners to near Winchester and when he arrived there he was discharged He was in the Battle of Jamestown where he was commanded by Capt John Dickey, Col Huggart [probably Col. Thomas Hugart or Hughart] some time after ^{went home}, when Col William Bowyer took the command That he in the year of 1782 substituted and served in the malitia for three months in the room of Hugh Brown of the County of Augusta against the Indians under Lieut. John M^c Camey and marched to the head of Greenbrier to a place called Clover Lick, and there served out his time during which he was in no Battle he knows of but one man who has any knowledge of his service in the south his name is Berryman Jones and resides in the County of Greenbrier who was in the same company and from the same county, he knows of no proof as to his other service except at the Battle of Jamestown Samuel Clarke who was from the said County of Augusta was in the Battle and he was acquainted with him and believes that he will testify of the fact He hereby relinquishes any claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state whatever

Sworn to and subscribed the
day and year aforesaid

Samuel Sams



We James Cristy Clergyman residing in the County of Monroe and State of Virginia and Samuel Clark residing in the same County and State do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with the above declaration that we believe him to be seventy four years of age that he is reputed and believed to have been a Soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion

Sworn to and subscribed the
day and year aforesaid

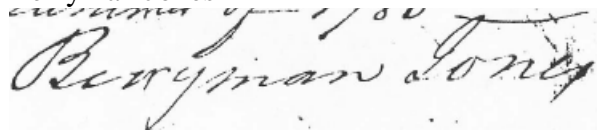
John Cristy

Saml Clark

Berryman Jones appeared in open court and after being sworn as the Law directs deposeth and saith that Samuel Sams who is now before the

Court and whos declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congrefs pasfed June 7th 1832 was in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War that he was aquainted with him, and knew him in the service, that he marched with him from the Country of Augusta in the State of Virginia to South Carolina under the command of Capt. Tate of the Militia when we arrived there we were placed under the command of Genl. Morgan that he knows said Samuel Sams was at the Battle of the Cowpens. that the next day after the Battle a detachment of men were ordered to take charge of the prifoners under the command of Maj. Trifield and that Samuel Sams in the Service afterwards with himself were in the detachment until they arrived at Salsbury North Carolina. He Jones was discharged at the Maravian Town [Moravian Town] and did not see Sams in the service afterwards and further that his Term of service was six months and also the term of Samuel Sams and the time of entering the service was he believes in the latter part of the summer of 1780

Berryman Jones¹

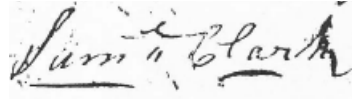
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Berryman Jones". Above the signature, there is some faint, illegible text that appears to be a date, possibly "June 7 1780". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Samuel Clarke a witnefs after being sworn deposeth and saith, That he said Clarke in the year 1781 was called into the service a three month tour in the Militia from the County of Augusta in the State of Virginia in the month of May or June of said year and that he knew Samuel Sams in the service at that time and continued to know him until the Battle of James Town at which time he said Clarke was wounded and was sent to the hospital and did not see said Sams afterwards during the time of service he does not know which captain commanded the company to which Sams belonged but he knows his Maj. ~~Wilson~~ to be Wilson and his Col. Thomas Huggart and that he knew Huggart went home

¹ [Berryman Jones S5632](#)

and that during the time Col William Bowyer took the command at the Battle of Jamestown and was taken prisoner he did not see Sams at the Seige of York but has every reason to believe he was there being acquainted with him for forty years and having had frequent conversations with him upon the subject and further believes him to be an honest man worthy of belief in oath

Saml Clark²

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel Clark". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

And the said Court do hereby certify and declare their opinion after the investigation of the Matter and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the war department, That the above named Samuel Sams (applicant) was a revolutionary Soldier and served as he states_ and the Court further certifies that it appears to them James Cristy who has signed the preceding certificates is a Clergyman resident in the County of Monroe and that _____ who has also signed the same is a resident of said county and is a credible person and that their statement is entitled to credit.

Virginia Pension Roll of 1835
Report from the Secretary of War
In relation to the Pension Establishment Of the United States 1835

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SAMUEL SAMS
MONROE COUNTY
PRIVATE
VIRGINIA MILITIA
\$40.00 ANNUAL ALLOWANCE
\$120.00 AMOUNT RECEIVED
NOVEMBER 13, 1832 PENSION STARTED
AGE 75

² [Samuel Clark S9188](#)