

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Samuel Broadway S8086

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State of North Carolina } Court of pleas and quarter sessions  
Macon County } December Sessions 1833

On this twenty fifth day of December 1833 Personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of pleas and quarter sessions for the County of Macon aforesaid Samuel Broadway a resident of the County of Macon in the state of North Carolina aged Seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefeit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

That he entered the service under the following named officers and served as herein stated

That he entered the service of the united states in the war of the revolution in the early part of the year 1778 [sic] (as he thinks) as a substitute for Montfort DeJournett a Virginia Militia man in the County of Prince Edward in the State of Virginia and served nine months in that capacity; from Prince Edward we marched to Salisbury North Carolina and remained there six weeks untill Col. [David] Mason arive with our arms We marched thence to Camden South Carolina, where we remained a few days and then marched to Stono in South Carolina where we remained untill the end of nine months and then returned to Camden and was discharged. In the [illegible word] we had the battle of Stono [Stono Ferry SC, 20 Jun 1779]. Henry Walker was our captain commanded by Col. Mason under General Green [see endnote]. Capt Walker died at Stono and was succeeded by [Richard] Holland who had been our Lieutenant. Genl. Lincoln had the superintindance but had not the immediate command and was not at the battle of Stono Genl. Green Commanded at that battle. I returned home to Prince Edward County and remained there for some time perhaps about three or four months. I then volunteered in the same County under the command of Captain Thomas Moor [sic: Thomas Moore] then attached to the Rigiment commanded by Col. Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] and marched to Dan River at Boyd's Ferry there we crossed the river and joined the army commanded by Genl. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] and marched to Gilford Courthouse and on the next day was in the battle of Gilford [sic: Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] where we were repulsed by the Brittish we then marched to troublesome iron works in Gilford County [now in Rockingham County] and there remained two day and then marched in pursuit of Cornwallis to Ramsays mill [Ramsey's Mill] on deep river and was there discharged after serving six weeks then returned to Prince Edward and remained there a short time perhaps about two months, I then volunteered under Capt. John Overstreet in the Regiment command by Col. Bengamine O. Overstreet we then marched to Polecat bridge in Halifax County in Virginia and there joined Genl. Lafayette's army thence marched to York where Cornwallis was encamped and attacked his fort and after an obstinate resistance he surrendered. and after serving six weeks in this tour he was discharged but received a written discharge but he left his discharges in his trunk in Virginia about 35 years since and has not heard of them since he has no other documentary evidence of his service. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on pension roll of the agency of any state. he does not know of any person by whom he can prove his service.

Question 1st where and in what year was you born

Answer 1st I was born in Anson County North Carolina in the year 1763 in May

Question 2nd Have you any record of your age.

Answer 2nd I have none.

Question 3rd Where were living when called into the service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live.

Answer 3rd I was living in Prince Edward County in the State of Virginia I have lived in South Carolina

and Georgia but principally in North Carolina in the County of Rutherford and haywood and have lived in Macon County North Carolina where I now live about nine or ten years. I now live on the head of Tennessee River in Macon County N. Carolina

Question 4th How were you called into the service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom

Answer 4th I was a substitute for Montfort DeJarnett for nine months in the Virginia Militia the other two tours of six weeks each I was a volunteer

Question 5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such Continental and Militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service

Answer 5th I recollect Col. Mason and General Green under whom I served. I saw Genl. Lincoln Capt George Daghead of Virginia are all the regular officers that I can call to mind at this time I recollect Col. Masons Regiment under whom I served Col. Stephens Militia Regiment, Col. Overstreet's regiment of Militia in which I also served for the general circumstances of my service I refer to the annexed declaration

Question 6th did you ever receive a discharge and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it

Answer 6th I received a discharge from Capt Holland from the first nine month tour and from Capt. Moor from the second tour but have left them in Virginia and for the third & last tour I recd no discharge

Question 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your service as a Soldier of the revolution

Answer 7th many of my neighbours but those on whom I have called to testify for me are Benjamin Stiles a clergiman and William Hood a Citizen [signed] Samuel Broadway

NOTE:

Gen. Benjamin Lincoln was present and in immediate command at the Battle of Stono Ferry. "General Green" – probably a reference to Nathanael Greene – was not present.

On 27 Aug 1834 Broadway applied to have his pension transferred to Georgia, having moved to Dahlonega in Lumpkin County.