

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Alexander Lemonds (Lemmonds, Lemmons) S8831 fn36NC
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State of North Carolina Rockingham County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August term 1832

On this 30th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the justices of the court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions now sitting Alexander Lemmons a resident of the County of Rockingham and State of North Carolina aged seventy-one the eighth day of February last, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated, that he volunteered as a militia man for the term of nine months sometime in the spring of 1779 as near as he can recollect in the company commanded by Captain John Leake, that the whole company to which he belonged all volunteered at the same time at their company muster near Spring-garden in what is now the County of Rockingham, then Guilford, that he marched first to Salisbury, from there to South Carolina, to the Savannah River at a place called Pughsburgh [sic, Purrysburg] or some such name that he remained there a while under the command of Colonel Hal Dickson [sic, Henry Dixon], that he with a small detachment marched to Charleston and remained there about two weeks, that he returned from Charleston to headquarters at a place as well as he recollects called the Pon Pon roads that his was about a month before the Battle of Stono, that after his return, he was attached to a scouting party, and on the night before the battle of Stono his party was out upon a scout, that he did not return to camp until late in the morning, when he found that the Army had all gone out to battle, that the firing commenced though after his return, to the encampment, that he was not in the battle, but he was on the battlefield the next morning, that his term of service expired in a month or thereabout after the battle, that he received his discharge & brought it home with him but it is now lost. He does not recollect the name of the officer who gave him his discharge, that he has no documentary evidence of his service, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service except one Sneed Strong, who was present when he volunteered, he is also acquainted with one Micholas McCubben¹ with whom he has often conversed about his tour of service & knows from the circumstances he relates, that they were in the service together but they were not acquainted at that time he was in a different Regiment.

¹ Sic, [Nicholas McCubbin W3574](#)

That Mr. James Oliver also states that he knows of his service having met him on his return. He hereby relinquishes every 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.

Interrogatories propounded by the court

1. Where, and in what year were you born

Ans: I was born in the County of Rockingham then Guilford in the year 1761

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

I have no record of my age, it was recorded in my father's Bible but it is torn out and destroyed

Quest 3rd Where were you living when called into service, did you volunteer?

Ans: I was living in what is now the County of Rockingham near Spring Garden and have resided within about a mile of the place where I resided when I enlisted ever since. I volunteered as stated.

4 Quest: 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.

I recollect General Lincoln he commanded the troops at the battle of Stono I saw him often before and after the battle, Colonel McDowell was one of the officers I can't at this time remember but few of the officers Colonel Dickson the Colonel of my Regiment I well remember my recollection of the service are as I have stated in my declaration.

Sworn to & subscribed the 31st of August 1832

S/ Ro. Galloway, CCC

S/ Alex^r Lemon

[Tilman Coleman & James Lemmons gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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North Carolina

No: 446

Agreeable to Act of Assembly passed in December 1785, the State of North Carolina is indebted to Alexander Lemmons of the Continental line of this State Ten Pounds, Eight Shillings & 9 d specie being ~~amount~~ the of the Account of his pay 1783 for which he is entitled to receive payment.

S/ H. Montfort

S/ J. W. Carson, Commissioners

North Carolina Rockingham County

This 30 day of August personally appeared in open court, Sneed Strong and made oath that he is well acquainted with Alexander Lemmons that he has known him 55 years or thereabouts, that he came into what is now the County of Rockingham about the year 1776 or 1777, that he was present at the muster in 1779 as well as he recollects the year, when said Alexander Lemmons together with his whole company under the command of Captain John Leake volunteered for the term of 9 months, that he knows that said Lemmons marched to the South with his company and did not return until after his term of service had expired that he has resided in the County of Rockingham ever since the revolution a near neighbor to Alexander Lemmons that he knows his character well that he has the reputation of being a man of truth and honesty, and it has always been understood and believed in the neighborhood where this affiant and said lemons reside, that he was a soldier of the revolution; and that this affiant of his own knowledge knows the fact as above stated.

Sworn to & subscribed the 30 day of August 1832

S/ Ro. Callaway, CCC

S/ Sneed Strong

James Oliver² aged 71 years, this 30th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court and made oath that he has been acquainted with Alexander Lemmons an applicant for a pension ever since his infancy, that he has always resided in the County with him, that he knows that he volunteered under Captain John Leake for nine months that he saw him on his return near Hogan's Creek in the County of Rockingham about ten miles from his place of residence, he also knows the general character of said Lemmons that he is a man of truth and honesty and that it is well-known in his neighborhood that he was a soldier of the revolution and that this affiant has no doubt of the fact.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 31 of August 1832

S/ James Oliver

S/ Ro. Callaway, CCC

State of North Carolina County of Rockingham

On this 10th day of February in the year 1854 before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Alexander to Lemonds, a Revolutionary Soldier and pensioner of said County now aged about 93 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832. That he is the identical Alexander Lemonds who about 20 years since was placed on the pension list of the Agency of North Carolina under the aforesaid Act at the rate of \$30 per annum, which annual allowance he has received from the Government of the United States up to the present time, and that said allows is for 9 months service by himself the Affiant in the Company commanded by Captain John Leak in the Regiment of Continental line of North Carolina, commanded by Colonel Dickson which service was performed in the year 1779 that he does not now remember whether he claimed for additional services or not in his application made for pension some 20 years since, but that he did perform an additional service of 3 months in the militia of the State of North Carolina in the following manner, and under the following Circumstances, about the 15th day of April in the year 1781 a man by the name of Jacob James having entered or having been drafted and having become [indecipherable word looks like "lind"] of the service and did about 3 months before the expiration of his term with the consent and agreement of his Officers employ him the declarant to serve as his substitute for the remainder of his term, and that he the declarant did about the 15th day of April in the year 1781 in the County of Guilford now Rockingham and State of North Carolina entered the said Company as a substitute for said Jacob James and with the rank of a private did serve the remaining 3 months of said Jacob James term and was at the end thereof disbanded at a place called Guilford old Court House in said County and State aforesaid and that he was at the time while a substitute for Jacob James a teamster and was in company with a guard transporting provisions to a town called Charlotte in Mecklenburg in the State aforesaid and upon his return from the point at which he deposited his stores, and by a called court martial was disbanded and returned home, and he further declares that he has not heretofore made application for any allowance for the term of service for the following reasons; that he was not aware that substitutes received any pay from Government; that he was given a fine Rifle by the said Jacob James and a cow and yearling. I state this because I have a distinct recollection of what I was to receive over and above the monthly pay which he was to receive. And that he does now adduce the best proof in his power to establish what he herein set forth, and trust at this late

² This MIGHT be the same man whose widow filed for a pension FPA W5444.

day when all his officers and comrades are dead or removed beyond his reach, the said proof will be satisfactory to the accounting Officers of the Government and that his pension will be increased accordingly.

S/ A. M. Seales

S/ Alexander Lemonds, X his mark

State of North Carolina County of Rockingham

On this 31st day of March A.D. 1855 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for said County and State aforesaid Alexander Lemmonds aged 95 years a resident of Rockingham County in the State of North Carolina, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Alexander Lemmonds, who was a volunteer in the Company commanded by Captain Leak in the Regiment of ___ commanded by in the War of the Revolution (1776) that he was volunteered at or about the ___ day A.D. for the term of nine months & continued in actual service in said for the term of nine months and was honorably discharged at or near Stono South Carolina on the ___ day of ___ A.D.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining Bounty Lands to which he may be entitled under the Act approved March 3rd 1855. He also declares that he has not received a warrant for Bounty Lamb under this or any other Act of Congress, nor made any other application therefore, and that he is now a pensioner at the rate of \$30 per annum from the 4th March 1831 -- payable semiannually during his natural life.

S/ Alexander Lemmonds, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 9 months service in the revolution.]