

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Martin S9003

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State of North Carolina, Lincoln County

On this 13th day of May 1833 personally appeared before me Isaac Holland Justice of the Peace for the said County of Lincoln & State aforesaid – Samuel Martin of said County & State, aged Ninety nine years, 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 June 7th, 1832. -- That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated as Captain.

That during the Siege of Charleston he went with wagon & team under the command of Colonel Hambright [Frederick Hambright, Lt. Col.] of the County of Tryon, now Lincoln, and after the surrender of Charleston [May 12, 1780] General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] gave to him the commission of Captain from thence we marched to Camden South Carolina, where we lay for sometime – thence to Tryon County, now Lincoln, North Carolina and in the fall of the same year, he was in the battle was fought at Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780], having served for six months under the commission conferred on him by General Rutherford – after which I received a commission from Governor Martin [Alexander Martin] of North Carolina of Captain and was kept employed during the balance of the revolutionary war ranging the County of Tryon for the suppression of the Tories. I was with my company, in the Main Army commanded by General Rutherford, on their way to the battle that was fought with the Tories at Ramsour's Mill [June 20, 1780], in the County of Tryon, now Lincoln, but owing to a miscarriage by express of a communication, or misunderstanding between General Rutherford, the attack, was made by Captain Falls [Galbraith Falls] & others of the morning when we were within 16 or 18 miles of the battle and reached there after the defeat of the Tories on the same day. He had taken many Tories among them a brother of the celebrated Tory Colonel Moore. He marched with his company in pursuit of the Army of Cornwallis to aid in harassing them in crossing the Catawba River. He was under the command of Colonel William Graham of Tryon County, now Lincoln, Colonel Campbell [William Campbell] was the commander at Kings Mountain. Colonel Graham left them just before the action & the command devolved on Joseph Dixon [Joseph Dickson] of the Regiment of the County, Graham's commission being taken from him in consequence of his conduct on that occasion. From old age and the loss of memory he is unable to give any other particulars of his service. He has no other documentary evidence and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service other than that he hereunto annexed.

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.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ I. Holland, J. P. {LS}

S/ Sam Martin

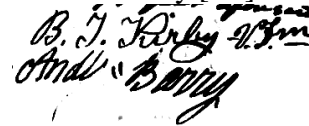


We Bolen F. Kirby, a Clergyman residing in the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina and Andrew Berry, residing in same County & State hereby certify that we are well acquainted [with] Captain Samuel Martin, who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be about ninety-nine years of age; that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ B. F. Kirby,

S/ And. Barry [sic]



And the said Isaac Holland Justice of the Peace for the County of Lincoln do hereby declare his opinion, after the investigation of the matter, & after putting the Interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier & served as he states. And I do further certify that Bolen J. Kirby who has signed the preceding certificate is a clergyman residing in the County of Lincoln and that Andy Berry who has also signed the same is a resident of the same County and is a credible person and that their statement is entitled to credit. I hereby further certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings in the matter of the application of Samuel Martin for a pension.

This 13th day May 1833

S/ I. Holland, J. P. {LS}

[Interrogatories]

1. Where & in what year were you born?
A. I was born in Ireland in the year 1732.
2. Have you any record of your age & if so where is it?
A. The only record of my age was in the Bible, but is now lost. I was told by my parents there was but a month's difference in the age of John Taylor a relation and myself. From a record of his age, had he lived he would at his next birthday would have been 100 years of age. At my next birthday I will be 100 as I believe.
3. Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war & where do you now live?
A. Before the revolution, I emigrated from Ireland to Pennsylvania & thence to Tryon now Lincoln County where I lived during the revolution & have lived since & now live.
4. How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a Substitute & if a Substitute for whom?
A. I was a Captain in the militia and so served during the War.
5. 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 & the general circumstances of your services.

A. My service was confined to the Militia except whilst at Charleston. I do not remember any Continental officers. I was with Cols. Hambright, Campbell, Graham & Dixon. The general circumstances have been detailed, as far as my memory will permit.

6. Did you ever receive a commission & if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it?

A. I received a commission from General Rutherford under which I served six months. When I received a commission signed by Governor Martin, both of which have been lost or destroyed. That from Governor Martin I had until within the last 10 years the seal which was attached to the commission I still have and herewith enclose. The commission as I am informed was within 10 years given by my wife to my grandchildren for their [illegible word] not supposing it of any use & the seal to a granddaughter 12 or 13 years ago who has retained it & I believe to be the same seal appended to my commission from Governor Martin.

7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can certify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your services as a soldier & officer of the revolution.

A. Major Lawson Henderson, Colonel Oliver Holland, Andrew Berry, William Hanks, Andrew Hayle, Isaac Holland, Esq. And many others with Captain Samuel Caldwell.

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Personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the peace for the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina Samuel Martin who being duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than two periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For six months under General Rutherford's Commission as Capt. For one year & eight months, I served as a Capt., under the commission granted & signed by Gov. Martin and for such service I claim a Pension: this 13th day of May 1833.

S/ I. Holland, JP

S/ Samuel Martin

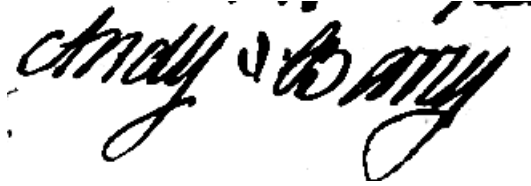
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Samuel Martin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S" and a prominent dot at the end.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for the County of Lincoln Andrew Barry¹ of said County, who being duly sworn, deposeth & saith: that I volunteered as a private in Capt. Samuel Martin's company (the same, who now applies for a pension & sworn to the above declaration) the day before the Battle at Ramsour's Mills in Tryon now Lincoln County and continued subject to his command until after the Battle of Kings Mountain which battle I was in with Capt. Martin. He was recognized by the neighborhood as Capt. where he commanded about 20 men 6 of whom fell from that to the end of the revolution. I knew you Capt. Martin from a small boy, and have known him

¹ **Andrew Barry R569.** It is intriguing to note that Barry/Berry does not state that he was at Kings Mountain in his own application.

home to the present having been raised in the same neighborhood, and where we now both reside. Sworn to this 13th day of May 1833
S/ I. Holland, JP

S/ Andy Barry

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andy Barry". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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State of North Carolina Lincoln County

On this 7th day of October 1833 personally appeared before me Andrew Hoyl Justice of the peace in and for said County and State Samuel Martin of said County & State aged 99 years, 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 June the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers and served as herein stated. First he was drafted and was marched under Capt. Robert Alexander in June 1777 or 1778 as a private two months to McCaughes [sic, McGaughey's Fort?] after the Indians in the mountains.

Second-- that after the above he volunteered in January under Capt. Cronicle [sic, Chronicle] and was marched to near Ninety Six in South Carolina called the Snowy Campaign for a term of one month a private he further states that he was commissioned soon after the commencement of the War by Gov. Martin of North Carolina, the seal of which has been previously forwarded to the War department, which commission he held when he served the above two tours, but did not act as a Capt.

That he again set out about the first of November 1779 from Charlotte North Carolina under Col. Hambright acting as a Capt. under a special duplicate Commission conferred on him by Gen. Rutherford -- was marched from Charlotte having the Command of a special company by Camden and fell in with Col. Hampton at the Governor's gate near Charleston South Carolina and remained about there until the surrender of Charleston and then marched by the Cross Roads in York or Lancaster District South Carolina at times in company with Col. Graham and arrived at home in Tryon now Lincoln County North Carolina about the first of June 1780 having served this tour seven months.

Immediately after the above, collected and commanded a small company under General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] and was marched to Ramsour's. Arrived there a few hours after the Battle was fought, having taken some prisoners on the way, was out this tour half a month.

He immediately received orders to go with his Company (from Colonels Johnson & Dickson) to the neighborhood of the Tory John Moore and rendezvous for the purpose of arresting the said Moore and his Associates and returned home the middle of July 1780 being absent one month --

That he then marched with his Company to Rugeley's Mill [December 4, 1780] in Kershaw District South Carolina where they fell in with Col. Washington [William Washington] where they mounted a pine for a cannon and took the Tory picket, and then returned to Tryon now Lincoln North Carolina -- absent this tour half months --

Then marched with his Company after a Tory officer Cunningham to Fishing Creek South Carolina in pursuit and returning ten days -- in the middle of August, at this

time the Battle of Camden -- Gates defeat [August 15-16, 1780] took place -- that Lord Cornwallis continued his march towards Charlotte, that he Capt. Samuel Martin during the latter part of August and September was out with his Company until in October not 2 days at home at any one time that in the last of September he with his Company marched a circuitous route to Gilbert Town now Rutherfordton and under & in Company with Col. Graham where he fell in with Colonels Campbell and Shelby [Isaac Shelby] then marched to the Battle at Kings Mountain where he commanded about 20 men, 4 of which were killed on the Ground & two died soon after --

That Lord Cornwallis was then in Charlotte that he the said Martin with his Company was scouting about in various parts of Tryon now Lincoln County Mecklenburg Counties that Cornwallis continued in the adjacent Counties & edge of South Carolina until the Battle of the Cowpens on the 17th of January 1781, that there were many Tories and outliers in he is (Tryon) now Lincoln County that he with was still continued out with his Company until he was marched from Tryon now Lincoln County to pursue Cornwallis on his way to Guilford in the winter of 1781, marched as far as Salisbury in Rowan County where he was ordered by Col. Dickson to take some prisoners from Salisbury back to Charlotte Mecklenburg County -- and from thence he pursued on after the Army towards Guilford [March 15, 1781] but did not overtake the Main Army under -- Pickens [Andrew Pickens] until the Battle was fought in March 1781 -- that he returned to Tryon about the first of April 1781 -- making a tour of 7 1/2 months from the middle of August 1780 to the first of April 1781 -- in all he was in the Service of the United States nineteen months and twenty-five days, that at each time of setting off he went from Tryon -- now Lincoln County -- North Carolina -- from old age and the consequent loss of memory he is unable to give any other particulars of his services. That he has no other documentary evidence and knows of no persons whose Testimony he can procure who can testify to his services than those hereunto annexed. 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid --

S/ And^w Hoyl, JP

S/ Samuel Martin

1st Where and in what year were you born?

A -- I was born in Ireland in the year 1732.

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

A -- The only record of my age was in a Bible but is now lost. I was told by my parents that there was but one months difference in the age of John Taylor a relation and myself from a record of his age, had he lived he would at his next birthday have been 100 years of age, at my next birthday I will as I believe be 100 years old.

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A -- Before the revolution I emigrated from Ireland to [overwritten and illegible] and thence to Tryon now Lincoln County North Carolina where I lived during the Revolution, and have continued to live --

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

A -- the first tour I was drafted and marched to McGachas [sic] Fort, the 2nd volunteered and was marched to the Snow we Campaign in South Carolina as a private, the residue served as a Capt. of the militia.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

A -- My services were confined to the militia except while at Charleston. I do not remember any Continental officer. I was with Colonels Hambright, Campbell, Shelby & Dickson -- the general Circumstances have been detailed as far as my memory will permit

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6th Did you ever receive a Commission, if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it?

A -- I first received a Capt.'s commission from Gov. Martin. Soon after the Commencement of the Revolution and in November 1779 I received a special or duplicate captains Commission from General Rutherford under which I marched a company to Charleston South Carolina the remainder of the war commanded under Gov. Martin's commission

Both of which have been lost or destroyed that of Gov. Martin I had until within the last 10 years the seal of which I have previously forwarded accompanied by a former declaration and which I presume is in the War Department. The commission as I am informed was within 10 years given by my wife to my grandchildren for thumb papers and supposing it of any use, the seal to a great granddaughter who has retained it of 13 years of age and I believe it to be the same seal of my Commission from Gov. Martin sent as above.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

A -- Major Lawson Henderson, Col. Oliver Holland, Andy Barry, William Hanks, Andrew Hoyl, Isaac Holland Esquire & Capt. Samuel Caldwell

I Andrew Hoyl a Justice of the Peace & chairman of Lincoln County Court do hereby certify the foregoing Interrogatories were put to the applicant Samuel Martin by me and answered by him as above But that I had to use much [indecipherable word] as his memory & recollections are [indecipherable word] and I do hereby certify from personal knowledge and acquaintance with him that from old age infirmity loss of eyesight & crippled legs that he is unable to [attend] at Court living near 20 miles from the Court house. Witness my hand & seal this 7th of October 1833

S/ And. Hoyl., JP

Personally appeared before me Andrew Hoyl the Subscribing Justice of the Peace for the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina -- Samuel Martin who being duly sworn according to law deposes and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his services, but is fully satisfied that he served the full length of time as set forth in his declaration and in the following grades, viz. -- a private for three months and a Capt. for Sixteen months and Twenty-five days under commissions signed by Gov. Martin and General Rutherford and for such services I claim a pension.

This 7th day of October 1833

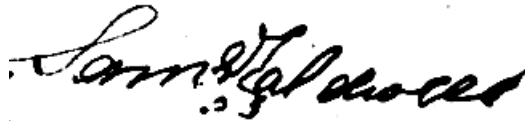
S/ Samuel Martin

S/ And. Hoyl, JP

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North Carolina Lincoln County: Personally appeared before me Isaac Holland one of the

Justices of said County Samuel Caldwell² & being duly sworn on his oath that he was with Capt. Samuel Martin (the above applicant for a Pension) at the Battle of Kings Mountain and many other Places through Lincoln County that he Martin was always recognized as a Capt. from that time at Kings Mountain until the end of the Revolutionary War, that he Caldwell believes said Martin did serve his Country faithfully as represented in his Declaration and that he Caldwell knew Samuel Martin from the time he Caldwell was a small boy & still continues to know him yet, living in the same neighborhood &c. Sworn to & subscribed this 31st day of May 1833 before me
S/ I. Holland, JP S/ Samuel Caldwell



State of North Carolina Lincoln County: Personally appeared before me Isaac Holland one of the Justices of the peace of said County, Jane Martin (granddaughter of the above Samuel Martin) and being duly sworn deposed & saith that her Grandmother Martin gave her the above described Commission for thumb papers when she was going to school, that it was born up for thumb papers, but that the old Seal that was fastened to the Commission is now in her possession in order to send own with the Declaration &c. Sworn to and subscribed the 13th of May 1833
Test: S/ I. Holland, JP S/ Jane Martin



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North Carolina Lincoln County: I hereby certify that Capt. Samuel Caldwell appeared before me Andrew Hoyl one of the Justices of the Peace in & for said County & after being sworn in due form of law deposed and saith on oath that he was a soldier of the Revolutionary war and that from information he has reasons to believe & does believe that Samuel Martin (the annexed applicant for a Pension) was at & active as a militia Capt. at the Siege of Charleston South Carolina and also that he this Deponent went a circuitous route to Gilberttown now Rutherfordton where they fell in with Colonels Shelby & Campbell that Capt. Samuel Martin was there & thence marched to the Kings Mountain Battle that he there commanded a company and that in consequence of Lord Wallace [sic, Lord Cornwallis] armies being in the neighboring County, the militia were constantly kept out that he was with said Capt. Martin frequently on other tours and believes he did serve his Country as stated in his Declaration and that he has been acquainted with him ever since -- is now acquainted with said Samuel Martin & further saith not. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of October 1833
S/ And. Hoyl, JP S/ Samuel Caldwell

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North Carolina Lincoln County this may certify that Andy Barry appeared before me Andrew Hoyl one of the Justices of the Peace for & in said County after being sworn according to law on oath saith he this deponent volunteered and served as a private under

² [Samuel Caldwell W528](#)

Capt. Samuel the annexed applicant for a pension the day before the Battle at Ramsour's Mill in Tryon now Lincoln County North Carolina in June and that he was also under said Martin's command the October following of the Battle of Kings Mountain where he Martin commanded about 20 men of whom four fell on the ground & two died of their wounds afterwards that he has been acquainted with the said Samuel Martin from a youth and that he is & has been constantly acquainted with until this time both having lived in the aforesaid County. Sworn to & subscribed before me this 25th day of October 1833
S/ And. Hoyl, JP S/ Andy Barry

[p 12: On January 12, 1845 in Gaston County North Carolina, George Martin, claiming to be the son of Samuel Martin, executed a power of attorney in favor of Daniel Wallace to pursue the pension claim of his father, Samuel Martin.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George Martin". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. To the right of the signature, there is a small, faint mark that looks like a closing bracket "]" or a similar symbol.

[p 51 NC Comptroller General's report]

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North Carolina Gaston County: Personally appeared before me William M Holland a Justice of the Peace in and for the County above named duly authorized by law to administer oaths Daniel Huffman a highly credible [citizen] of said County aged 58 years past who being first duly sworn according to law says that his Father John Huffman was a private soldier in Captain Samuel Martin's of Sumter's Brigade of South Carolina State Troops in the Army of the Revolution under an enlistment for ten months and was to receive a Negro for said service which Negro his father lost by the fraudulent action of one Alexander Moore late of this County and that George Martin son of the said Captain Samuel Martin late of this County Deceased is now an applicant to increase the pension of his said Father Captain Samuel Martin and that the said George Martin is a man of good character.

Deponent has often heard his Father George Hoofan [sic] speak of his services in the Revolution and has often spoken to deponent about his services under the above named Captain Samuel Martin reputed father of the said George Martin, in Sumter's Brigade of the State Troop service of South Carolina in which service he was in the battle of Eutaw Springs South Carolina [September 8, 1781] and several other engagements of less note, and that Cymon Hager [sic, Simon Hager?] deceased and John Clark were also in the said service, the former a member of said company; who was intimate friends of his father and often talked over their service.

Deponent has given the above statements as he has understood and believed them from his father and others and has no doubt they are strictly correct as no doubt has ever been entertained to deponent's knowledge and the belief was General and that his father often pointed the above Samuel Martin out to deponent as his Captain in the State Troop service of South Carolina and spoke of him as one of the bravest men of the age and was his devoted friend.

S/ Daniel Hoffman

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel Hoffman". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. The signature is enclosed in a rectangular box.

[Attested February 14, 1856]

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I William Martin certify to all whom it may concern that I am the Grandson of Captain Samuel Martin of Lincoln County, now Gaston, North Carolina, Deceased. That the said S. Martin, as I have always understood, and believed, served through Braddock's War, as well as the war of the Revolution. In the latter he was promoted to the rank of Captain and as such served in the Militia of North Carolina, and also in the State Troop of South Carolina under command of General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter], that no facts were better known, or more duly appreciated, by the community which participated with him in that eventful struggle, in which community I was born and raised, viz., Mecklenburg County North Carolina, which County furnished a considerable portion of the State Troop, for the South Carolina Service. In my early life I was conversant with many of the families of those composing the troop as well as my Grandfather and his family. I have been an itinerant Minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church 28 years and as such have often traveled through the several Counties of North Carolina, out of which the State Troop of the said Captain S. Martin were principally drawn viz. Mecklenburg & Lincoln, North Carolina and also York District South Carolina. I have also traveled extensively through South Carolina and have often heard from the old people of my Grandfather Captain Samuel Martin and his Troop, and by them have been treated with more than ordinary kindness on his account, especially by Colonel James Chestnut, Sr. of Kershaw District South Carolina, who was [illegible word, looks like "coeval"] with the Revolution, and although too young to bear arms, was often in the American Camp and knew Captain Martin well from reputation, who though advanced in the age was known as one of the most active man in Sumter's Brigade and given as an evidence that he could rise, with his hand on his saddle and bound over two horses.

I further certify that I have never heard of any other Captain S. Martin connected with the State Troop of South Carolina.

Captain Samuel Martin was over 100 years of age when he made his declaration, and had been for many years almost totally deaf and his mind though once strong and vigorous, very much impaired, in consequence of his extreme age.

My Father and Mother are both dead, I have no interest in the claim of Captain Samuel Martin, my only desire is to place him right upon the record of his Country whose liberties he aided largely to achieve, and in whose service he spent the prime of his days, and almost his entire substance, for which he never received a farthing from the Government.

I have drawn up this in haste, and have not time to copy but it is correct statement of my recollection of the past.

To which I subscribe my name.

S/ Wm Martin [William Martin]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm Martin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Spartanburg District, South Carolina
29th of March 1856

State of South Carolina, Spartanburg District

I do hereby certify that the Rev. William Martin is genuine signature appears to the

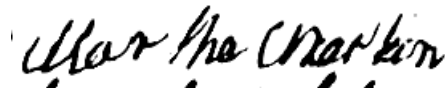
foregoing certificate, is a gentleman of high & pure character in this State; that he is entitled to the last & utmost confidence.

Given under my handwriting
S/ J. Wofford Tucker

Female College
31st March 1856

State of North Carolina Gaston County: Before me D. F. Ragen a Justice of the Peace duly authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared Martha Martin a highly credible citizen of said County aged 69 years past and wife of George Martin on oath says that she was present and acted as interpreter for Captain Samuel Martin deceased when Andrew Hoyle made out his papers to get his pension which he received at the rate of \$250 per annum and well recollects that the said Captain Samuel Martin claimed ten months service in Sumter's Brigade of the State Troop of South Carolina as Captain for which service he said he received two Negroes which were afterwards povered [?]³ away --, Captain Martin was near one hundred years old when he made his application -- was extremely hard of hearing and so was Andrew Hoyle, and that when she told Hoyle of the service of Captain Samuel Martin under General Sumter in South Carolina, Hoyle then told Martin it was not necessary to claim his service in South Carolina as he had claimed a enough to get a pension without it and closed and that she found it extremely difficult to get Captain Martin and Hoyle to understand each other and as well as she recollects said nothing in his declaration about losing a wagon and team in South Carolina at Sumter's defeat [Battle of Fishing Creek, August 18, 1780] although Captain Martin mentioned it at the time and often told deponent that he never received anything for his wagon and team, and his 10 months service in South Carolina as Captain under General Sumter and that his service in South Carolina broke him of and always spoke of the injustice done him in proving [?]⁴ away the Negroes he had received for service under General Sumter, and that he was a Captain in the battles of Eutaw Springs, Biggin Church [July 16, 1781] & was often at Orangeburg South Carolina and that John Huffman, father of Daniel Huffman, was a member of his company in South Carolina and lived and died not far from Captain Samuel Martin and that the said Daniel has given evidence in this claim, and that Captain Martin above named often spoke of his service in South Carolina, from her first acquaintance (her earliest recollection) and that he lived and died at their house after her marriage to George Martin and that she has no interest in this Claim aside from her relationship to George Martin.

S/ Martha Martin



[Attested October 2nd, 1857]

[Facts in file: Samuel Martin died November 12, 1836, in Lincoln (that part later called Gaston) County, North Carolina, at the home of his son, George Martin and wife, Martha. In 1854, George Martin was living in Dallas, Gaston County North Carolina aged more

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than 70 years, and was then the soldiers only surviving child. His wife, Martha, was aged more than 69 years and 1857 and still a resident of Gaston County, North Carolina. The other children who survived their father Capt. Samuel Martin, were William Martin, Jane Hanna, Margaret Kerr, Thomas Martin and Joseph Martin. The name of Samuel Martin's wife does not appear in the file. In November 1854, it was stated that Margaret Kerr, Thomas Martin and Joseph Martin had died within the last year. William M. Kerr, grandson of Capt. Samuel Martin, was living in Dall as, Gaston County, North Carolina in 1856, and William Martin, another grandson of the veteran, was born and reared in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and in 1855, had been an itinerant Methodist Episcopal minister about 28 years. In 1856, he was in Spartanburg District, South Carolina. One John Taylor was a relative of Capt. Samuel Martin and Taylor's birth day was within one month of the birthday of Capt. Samuel Martin; the degree of relationship between Taylor and Martin is not given.]

[Veteran was pensioned initially at the rate of \$250 per annum for his service as a Captain of Cavalry in the North Carolina militia and South Carolina Line. His pension was increased to \$310 per annum.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts ⁵ relating to Samuel Martin	AA4
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 4813A	
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[Transcribers Note: the following documents **MAY** relate to the above veteran]

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South Carolina

I William Buford of this State Doth [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] [acknow]ledge myself Indented to Samuel [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] Martin of North Carolina the Negro to be drafted from this State as part of my Pay for my Service in the Brigade as Major. Which Negro I hereby engaged to Deliver said Martin at or before the 10th Day of February next and acquiring the State therefor for Value received, this 28th Day of January 1782

Witness

[illegible signature]

S/ W. Buford



[p 3: Printed form of indent No. 2162 Book X dated May 26th, 1788 “delivered to Mr. Samuel Martin this our Indented Certificate, for the Sum of Two hundred & eighty-three pounds Six & two pence Sterling for horses killed & lost, Saddles and Bridles, also for horses shod &c per Certificate from the Commissioners for Adjusting Claims against General Sumter’s Brigade.]

⁵ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person’s surname first in the “Full name” box followed by a comma and the person’s Christian name.

[p 4: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements by Thomas Sumter Junior, Thomas Hooper, James Bowman and Samuel Stewart [could be Short]. How these men acquired an interest in the Indent is not disclosed by the documents in this file.]