

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Henderson S9351

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State of South Carolina, York District: SS

On this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of all Lord 1832 personally appeared before the Honorable William D. Martin a Judge of the Court of Sessions and Common Pleas and holding the same at York Court House for the district aforesaid Samuel Henderson of the State & district aforesaid who being duly sworn according to law on oath maketh the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7 June 1832.

That he was born in Bedford County Virginia and as he believes in the year 1755 or 1754 as appears from a record of his age in his father's Bible which he now has.

That he entered the service of the United States as a militia [man], whether a volunteer or not he cannot now certainly say, under the command of Colonel John Winn, Captain Robert Allison's Company, he was a private. This service was in the State of South Carolina. That the command he was with were ordered to the Sisters Ferry on the Savannah [River], that from there they marched towards Charleston, at Coosahatchie bridge [Coosawhatchie, May 3, 1779?]<sup>1</sup> they had an engagement with the enemy: and retreated into Charleston, entered the lines of that place. The City was soon afterwards besieged by the enemy but he only served out his term of service there and returned home after a service of four months this was in the year 1779.

That his next service was in the year 1780 under the command of Captain Richard Springs, his company joined General Gates [Horatio Gates'] Army and was in the Army when defeated near Camden [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780]<sup>2</sup> I was there wounded. He went to the house of a friend where he lay & remained until his wound healed. This tour of duty was three months.

His next Service was in the State of South Carolina near Rocky Mount under the command of Captain John McLure [sic, John McClure] as a militia volunteer they fell in with the enemy had a brisk skirmish with them & took twelve prisoners & routed them he was out as he thinks this tour about three months.

In the year 1781 he was again in the service as a volunteer militia man under the command of Colonel Dickson [Joseph Dickson] of the North Carolina Militia, Captain Moore's [William Moore's] company. He was marched through North Carolina in the protection of the Country & in [indecipherable word]<sup>3</sup> of the enemy. He was in this tour in an engagement with

<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_coosawhatchie.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_coosawhatchie.html)

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_camden.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html)

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the enemy. He was out this tour for three months & received a discharge signed by Colonel Dickson, which he now has.

During this period he lived in South Carolina York District and in part in Lincoln County North Carolina. In the year 1778 he thinks he left Virginia & came to South Carolina. He has no discharges except the one from Col. Dickson the rest if he got any are lost. He served with General Gates a Continental officer. At Sisters Ferry or Black Swamp General Moultrie [William Moultrie] as he thinks was the commander. He can procure no documentary evidence of his services except the discharge which he here produces. He can procure the evidence of no person here or elsewhere that he knows of to prove his services.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever except the present to a pension or annuity whatever and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open Court.  
S/ A. McWhorter, CCC Pls.

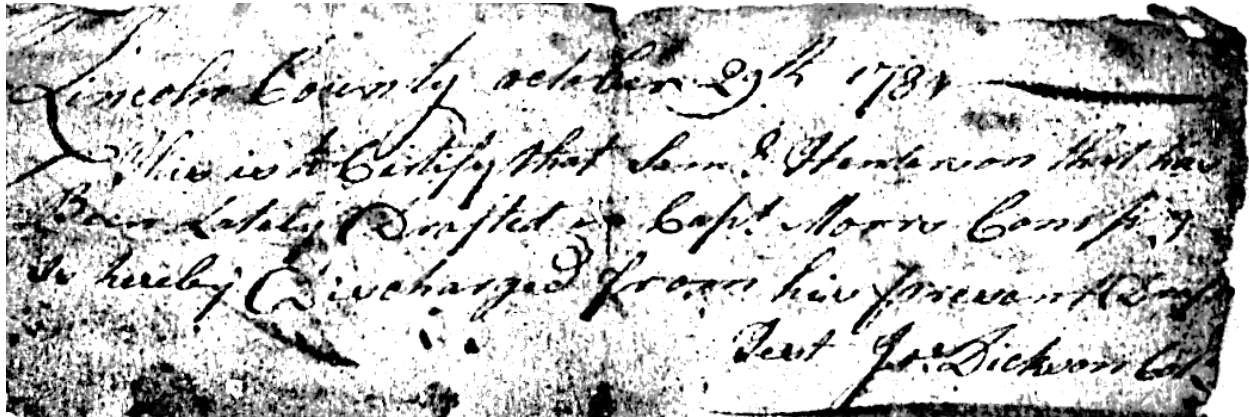
S/ Samuel Henderson, X his mark

[John Rooker, a clergyman, and Alexander Barnett gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

*“Lincoln County October 9<sup>th</sup> 1781*

*This is to Certify that Saml. Henderson that has Been Lately Drafted in Capt. Moor's Compy Is hereby Discharged from his present Draft.*

*Test: S/ Jo. Dickson, Col.”*



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$43.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 13 months in the South Carolina and North Carolina militia was.]