

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Stephen Mullins W10546      Dorcus Mullins      f55VA  
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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 29]

State of Alabama County of Blount: As this

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1832 personally appeared before the Judge of the County Court of Blount Stephen Mullins a resident in the County of Blount and State of Alabama aged seventy-two 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June the 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1779 with the Virginia State Troops and served in the \_\_\_ Regiment of light Dragoons of the Virginia State Troops under the following named officers in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Nelson (late Major Nelson) in the company of Captain Edmund Reed Lieutenants George Brunt & Dudley Digs [Dudley Diggs] & Ensign Nathaniel Savage and served under the above named officers two years and discharged in the fall of the year 1781 about one month before the Surrender [October 19, 1781] of Lord Cornwallis that at the time of his enlistment [he] resided in the County of Charlotte in the State of Virginia and was in no Battle during his Term of service and when he enlisted marched from his residence in Charlotte County and rendezvoused at old Williamsburg & there armed and equipped and then marched to Richmond and from thence to Albemarle Barracks & there guarded the British Prisoners for about 6 months & from thence was marched to James Town & joined General Lafayette's Army and was with his Army at Richmond Williamsburg and Petersburg his Company in the meantime marched to South Carolina & was in General Gates defeat [August 15-16, 1780] – But he was left with General Lafayette's Army in Virginia & was sent with a Detachment & stationed a short time at Port Royal to recruit our horses and he was never out of the State of Virginia during said service & his discharge lost or destroyed and knows of no person living by whom he can prove his services he was a private soldier when enlisted but towards the latter part of his time done the duty of Orderly Sergeant but does not recollect that he was mustered as such he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State; sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Stephen Mullins



[p 32: On October 5, 1833 in Blount County Alabama Dorcas Mullins produced the pension certificate granted Stephen Mullins who was a private of Dragoons in the war of the revolution;

that Stephen Mullins died May 17 1833; that Dorcas Mullins is the lawful widow of Stephen Mullins.]

[pp 4-7: family register:

Pleasant Mullings was born July 14<sup>th</sup> 1829

Samuel Mullings was born the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 1792

Hannah Mullings was born August 15<sup>th</sup> 1792

Elizabeth Mullings was born December the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1812

Nancy Mullings was born January 14<sup>th</sup> [year illegible]

Carrol Mullings was born April 24<sup>th</sup> 1812

Paradise Mullins was born June 9<sup>th</sup> 1813 [? last digit unclear]

[indecipherable first name] Isbell Mullins was born 5<sup>th</sup> August [year illegible]

Clarissa Mullings was born December 12<sup>th</sup> 1828

Susan Mullings was born February 19<sup>th</sup> 1835 [? last 2 digits unclear]

[a number of entries too compromised to decipher]

[p 9: On April 21, 1854 in Blount County Alabama, Samuel Mullings, 61, filed an affidavit that Stephen Mullings his father was a pensioner for his service in the revolution; that he drew a pension until his death in 1833; that he, affiant, is the administrator of his father's estate; that his mother Dorcas Mullings died in 1842 in August; that his mother had 9 other children besides the affiant whose names are Hasia, Nancy, James G, Mary S, Diana, Maudlin, Elizabeth, Martha and Julia F. who is the youngest of them all; that all of his siblings are living except James G and Nancy who had been dead several years. This affiant submitted the pages of the family register which I tried to transcribed above.

*Samuel Mullings* ]

[p 15: On April 18, 1854 in Blount County Alabama, Gilbert Martin administrator of Darcus [sic] Mullings, deceased, widow of Stephen Mullings filed an affidavit in which he states that Dorcas died August 5, 1842; that he is informed and believes that Stephen and Dorcas Mullings were married in Lawrence County [Laurens County] in South Carolina in the spring time of 1792.]

[p 19: On April 19, 1854 in Marshall County Alabama, Rody Hughs [?]<sup>1</sup>, 84, gave testimony that she is the sister of Dorcas Mullings who married Stephen Mullings in Lawrence County South Carolina in 1792 in April; that she remembers the date because her son William, her 3<sup>rd</sup> child, was born in June next after the marriage of her sister

*Rody Hughs* ]

[p 22: On April 19, 1854 in Marshall County Alabama, William Hughs, 61, gave testimony that he was acquainted with Stephen and Dorcas Mullings in their lifetime; that they were his uncle and aunt; that he was familiar with their children, Samuel Mullings being the oldest.

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<sup>1</sup> the witness's name is written as Rody Hughs in the acknowledgement signed by the attesting JP

*William Slough* ]

[p 28: purported copy of the family register of the veteran and his wife:

Stephen Mullings born 21<sup>st</sup> of October 1763 [sic 1760] departed this life May the 17<sup>th</sup> 1833

Dorcas Mullings born 12 April 1775 departed this life August 25<sup>th</sup> 1842

Samuel Mullings born 22<sup>nd</sup> December 1792

Hosea Mullings born April the 19<sup>th</sup> 1795

Nancy Mullings February 17<sup>th</sup> 1797

James G Mullings born 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1798 departed this life 19 July 1829

Mary S Mullings born 13 November 1800

Diana Mullings born August 15<sup>th</sup> 1802

Maudlin Mullings born 5<sup>th</sup> April 1804

Elizabeth Mullings born 26 November 1806

Martha Mullings born first April 1810

Julia F Mullings born 25 May 1813]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a Dragoon for 2 years in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1836.]