

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Springs W120

Silence

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[fn p. 10]

State of Tennessee Wilson County: Circuit Court October Term A.D. 1832

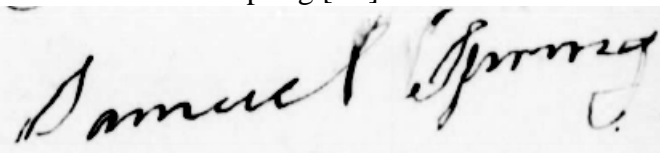
On this 30th day of October in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable James C Mitchell Judge of the eleventh Judicial Circuit for the State of Tennessee at the courthouse in the town of Lebanon Samuel Springs a resident of the County of Wilson & State of Tennessee aged about Eighty 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 7th of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein after stated. That he volunteered a private soldier for the term of six months under Captain Anderson on the __ day of __ 1779 thinks in the summer or early in the fall in the County of Hyde in the State of North Carolina. And was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Jones of the line of the volunteer establishment never was out of the State, they were rendezvoused at Orecok [Ocracoke] and stationed there during their continuance in service, he was in no battles, he was not discharged at all but dismissed by his Captain at Ocrecoke [Ocracoke] – that he afterwards was drafted a private soldier in the County of Hyde in North Carolina sometime in the year 1781 for nine months that he was so situated he could not leave home and he hired Abraham Swindle his substitute and gave him \$100 in cash to serve in his place, that said Swindle did serve out the time of nine months & was honorably discharged and died in Hyde County upwards of thirty years ago, he has no documentary evidence of his services but can prove by John Springs & Abner Springs that he was a soldier in the Revolution and served much as he has herein stated.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State in the United States

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid

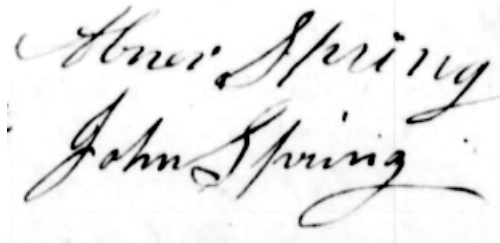
S/ Wm Martin, Clerk

S/ Samuel Spring [sic]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel Spring". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Abner and John Spring gave a supporting affidavit in which they assert that Samuel Spring did

serve as he states in his application. Their relationship, if any to the veteran is not stated.

The image shows two handwritten signatures in cursive ink. The top signature reads "Abner Springs" and the bottom signature reads "John Springs". The signatures are written on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

[Wilson Hoover, a clergyman, Thomas B Reese & George L Swan gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 6: On February 15, 1840 in Wilson County Tennessee, Silence Springs, 70, filed for a widow's pension as the widow of Samuel Springs, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him in Hyde County North Carolina on or about the 25th day of March 1780; that her husband "served under the said Captain Anderson nine months and was marched from the said County of Hyde to a place called Ocracoke Inlet in Buford County [sic, Beaufort County] in the Said State of North Carolina and stationed there to guard the said Inlet from the approach of the common enemy of the Country"; that her husband died October 5th 1834.]

[fn p. 7: On the same day as the widow made her application, Abner Springs, 72, gave testimony that Samuel Springs was his uncle; that his uncle moved to Wilson County Tennessee about 27 years ago where he lived until he died on October 5, 1834 leaving Silence Springs as his widow; that he married Silence in Hyde County North Carolina on or about the date 25th of March 1789 and that he was present at the wedding.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum missing March first, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]