

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Michael Rominger W17551

Anna Maria fn36NC

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State of North Carolina County of Stokes

Be it known that on this 24th day of September 1840 before me Charles Banner one of the Justices of the peace of the Court of pleas and quarter Sessions in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Anna Maria Rominger a resident of the County of Stokes aforesaid and State of North Carolina aged eighty-three years last April, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed forth July 1836: that she is the widow of Michael Rominger who was a private in the Army of the Revolution. That she has just reason to believe from the statement he frequently related, as well as the proof of witnesses, that he first entered the service of the United States in Surry County North Carolina as a Militia Soldier under the command of Captain Henry Smith in the month of February or first of March 1776: and marched to Fayetteville North Carolina against the Scotch Tories a three months Tour, and the next under the same Captain Smith from the same County of Surry marched in August of the same year to the Cherokee nation of Indians and Colonel Williams' Regiment of North Carolina Militia and was gone in this expedition four months & more, and the next tour of service was to South Carolina commanded by the same Captain Smith engaged for a five months Tour; but was gone over six months, the date not recollected, and the last a tour of three months from the same County in the winter of 1780 & 1781 under Captain Bostick & guarding the Military Stores war Magazine to Virginia which last Service was after she was married to said Michael Rominger all of which Services was fifteen months which she expects to prove, and claims a Pension. She further declares that she was married to the said Michael Rominger on the 10th day of August 1780 as will more plainly appear from the annexed certificate of the Minister taken from the Church Book of freedom and Moravian Brethren in Stokes County North Carolina, as also it will show the names and births of her twelve children which was born of her body whilst she and her husband Michael Rominger lived in Union together as man & wife: that her husband the aforesaid Michael Rominger died on the 5th day of June 1818 and Stokes County North Carolina and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear, by reference to the proof hereto annexed, further she declares that from old age and bodily infirmity she is unable to be carried to the Court of the County in order to make this declaration before the same without very much danger of impairing her infirmities, therefore have sent for C. Banner the Subscribing Magistrate to draw this my declaration at my place of Residence 22 miles distance from the Court-house. --

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year first above mentioned before me.

S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Anna Maria Rominger, X her mark

North Carolina Stokes County: Be it known that on this 24th day of September 1840 at the residence of the above named widow Anna Maria Rominger before me Charles Banner a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Lewis Wolff<sup>1</sup> a person of respectability for probates & truth and a Pensioner of the United States who being duly sworn according to law declares on his oath that he was well acquainted with Michael Rominger the husband of the above named Anna Maria Rominger from the time they were young men until the day of his death, which happened about 22 years past, that he served a Tour of Service with said Michael in the Militia under the Command of a Captain Henry Smith when this deponent was fifer in said Company marched from Bethania to Dobsons x roads in said County of Surry there rendezvoused under Colonel Jo. Williams and Major Jo. Winston & from thence marched on to Fayetteville North Carolina against the Scotch Tories. But when we arrived at Fayetteville we learned that the Tories had been defeated at Little River by another Army of the United States, our Army remained there some weeks & returned home & was discharged for a 3 months Tour this was in the Spring of the year 1776. Said Michael Rominger faithfully served this Tour and the next he entered the service of the United States as a private Militia Soldier to go against the Cherokee Indians in the summer of the same year 1776 under the same Captain & field officers as before mentioned, and marched from Surry old Court house to the Mulberry fields in Wilkes County North Carolina to meet & go with the South Carolina troops they failed to meet us there we returned back to Surry Court house & rendezvoused there some time when this deponent hired a substitute & returned home but said Michael Rominger went on with the Army and was gone in all 4 months and he saw him return with the captains Smith & Company to Bethania and then Surry County and received a discharge for a 4 months Tour which he saw him said Michael Rominger receive from Captain Smith, and afterwards he saw said Michael going as a guard with about 300 men in the Regiment towards Virginia guarding a Magazine of Military Stores in the winter before Guilford Battle they were gone one month on that expedition he was in Captain William state's Company at that time at Salem North Carolina and after he returned went as one of a guard, to guard prisoners to Guilford & from there to Hillsboro and in this service he was gone 2 months & returned home to his wife at old Mr. Fishols [?] And in a few days he was called out again & went to Salisbury under said Captain Bostick & was gone 24 days & returned with a discharge for his 3 months Tour of duty in all these 3 routes, But before this he was called into service 6 months at least to the South under Captain Smith he said he was in hearing of the Battle of Brier Creek, but this can be proven by Jacob Halsepeck<sup>2</sup> I believe, his widow Anna Maria Rominger who this day swore to & subscribed the foregoing declaration remained a widow ever since her husband Michael Rominger's death and is unable without injuring her infirmities to travel.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year first above written before me  
S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Lewis Wolff, W his mark

State of North Carolina County of Stokes

Be it known that on this 12th day of October 1840 before me Charles Banner a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Jacob Halsepack for veracity & truth and a pensioner of the United States, who being duly sworn according to law declares on his oath that he was well acquainted with a certain Michael Rominger & served with him in the Service of the United States in time of the Revolutionary War in the following manner (to wit) in

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<sup>1</sup> [Lewis Wolf \(Wolff\) W4403](#)

<sup>2</sup> Sic, [Jacob Hilsabeck S7013](#)

the first place this Deponent was drafted to go on an expedition against the Cherokee Indians when his Father Frederick Halsepeck took his place and went in his stead under the command of Captain Henry Smith of Colonel Joseph Williams' Regiment of Militia in which company the said Michael Rominger went as a private and marched from Richmond Surry County North Carolina in August 1776 when this Deponent with Joseph Houser & others went about 100 miles as packhorse men to carry provisions for his father & neighbors the way & then turned back home. The said Rominger went on as a soldier & returned home with the Captain & company after being gone in said expedition 4 months or upwards. The next service this Deponent served a tour of six months at least with the said Michael Rominger although they call was for only five months men, we were marched from Surry County North Carolina under Captain Henry Smith to Salisbury & joined headquarters under General Rutherford, from thence to Charlotte in Mecklenburg County North Carolina, then into South Carolina various routes to Savannah River, where a part of our Army crossed the River & had a Battle with the enemy at a place called Brier Creek said Rominger remained on this side [of] the River with the Main Army & shortly after the Battle our term of 5 months expired, but we were detained until the new recruits joined the Army, when we were discharged and said Rominger being in the same mess with me &c Amos Lawson, we returned home together in the spring of the year I believe in 1779, being gone upwards of 6 months, and in the Summer 1780 said Rominger married to Ann M. Fishel and the following winter he saw him start from Salem in a company commanded by a Captain William Bostick guarding the ammunition wagons to Virginia they were gone and was allowed one month in that expedition with others of this Deponents neighbors and afterwards said Rominger was on some service a trip to Hillsboro North Carolina not long before the Battle of Guilford; said Rominger died some upwards of 20 years past leaving the said Anna Maria Rominger a widow who has remained unmarried ever since his death living in Stokes County upwards of 20 miles distance from the Court house. She is upwards of 80 years of age as he has just reason to believe from his acquaintance with her & family for 60 years & more.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above mentioned before me  
S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Jacob Helsepeck , X his mark

On this 12th day of October 1840 personally appeared before me Charles Banner a justice of the peace for Stokes County North Carolina Joseph Houser aged 77 a respectable resident of Bethania in the County aforesaid, who being duly sworn according to law declares on his oath that he was well acquainted with Michael Rominger in time of the war of the Revolution, that he saw him start from old Richmond Surry County North Carolina under the command of Captain Henry Smith and Colonel Joseph Williams' Regiment of North Carolina Militia in the expedition against the Cherokee Nation of Indians in the summer of 1776, when this deponent's cousin George Houser served as Lieutenant under said Captain Smith, that this Deponent drove a wagon with provisions for the Army 50 miles to the Blue Ridge & then pack own horses & crossed the mountains & New River to the head of Holston River with Jacob Helsepeck & other packhorse men, when we returned home and said Michael Rominger marched on with the Army as a private Soldier, and returned to Bethania with the Captain & company between the next Christmas & New Year, after being gone on said Expedition 4 months at least, and the next Service this Deponent drove a wagon loaded with Military Stores of ammunition from Salem North Carolina to Henry Courthouse in Virginia when the said Michael Rominger served said trip as one of the guard of said Stores under the command of a Captain Bostick & George Houser Lieutenant they were allowed one months pay for this service they remained 2 weeks & Henry Courthouse this

was in January & February 1781 just before the British Army marched through Bethania this Deponent further states that he was well acquainted with the widow Anna Maria Rominger, that she is the identical widow of said Michael Rominger and that she has remained unmarried ever since her said husbands death which happened upwards of 20 years past. Sworn to and

Subscribed the day and year first above mentioned before me

S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Joseph Houser

[fn p. 3: family record]

Michael Rominger who died June the 5th 1818 was born August 9th 1759 in New England.

August 10th 1780 he married Anna Maria born Fishel

The children of which were born to them in this Union were as follows

Anna Catharina born May 15, 1781

Juliana born October 22, 1782

John Philip born May 6, 1784

Anna Maria born September 5, 1785

John Martin born June 6, 1787

Verona born December 17, 1788

Eva born September 6, 1790

Benjamin born June 12, 1792

Maria Elizabeth born January 25, 1794

George born November 30, 1795

Anna Susanna born March 31, 1798

Conrad born November 26, 1800

I certify that the above is a true and faithful extract from the Church Book in Friedland Stokes County, N. Carolina

S/ Gottlieb Bighan [??], minister of the said Congregation for the time being  
June 19<sup>th</sup> 1840