

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Christian Rumph W22134
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State of South Carolina Colleton District

On this 11th day of November 1834 personally appeared in open Court of Common Pleas, before Richard Gantt a Judge of the said Court, now sitting, Christian Rumph Senior a Resident of Colleton District, and the Parish of Saint George's Dorchester and State aforesaid, aged 70 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 in consequence of his old age and long infirm health, his memory is so much impaired; That it is with great difficulty he can recollect names and dates, but they as far as his memory serves him, the following Statement is true.

That this Deponent entered the service of the United States some time in November 1781, as a Sergeant in the Indians field company commanded at that time by the following officers, to wit, Jacob Linder Captain, Isaac Utsey 1st Lieutenant, A. Rumph 2nd Lieutenant: That they marched immediately from Saint George's parish in the State aforesaid, until they arrived near Charleston, when the said company was attached to a Battalion commanded by Major Muller, in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Simmons, attached to the Brigade commanded by General Francis Marion. That he continued in service as above stated until the last of May 1782, to the best of his recollection 6 months and was dismissed.

That he then returned home, and in a very short space of time, he cannot recollect precisely how long, but is certain it not more than 4 or 5 weeks, he was again drafted and entered a company commanded by Lieutenant Rumph which formed a part of a Battalion commanded by Major Tabb, in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Irvin in the Brigade aforesaid, and continued constantly in service as last stated until the British evacuated Charleston, when this deponent returned to the bosom of his family.

And said Deponent further states that he has no documentary evidence of his services, but refers to the certificates of Albert Strobel¹ and Nicholas Cobia² and 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 this 11th day of November 1834

S/ Richard Gantt

S/ C. Rumph, Senr.

[John Inabnet, a clergyman, and Daniel Mooser gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

¹ FPA W22354

² FPA W22843

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State of South Carolina Saint George's Parish: Personally appeared before me Peter Horn, Junior one of the Justices of the Quorum for said Parish, Albert Strobel who being duly sworn made oath that Christian Rumph Senior of the Parish in State aforesaid did do duty as a private soldier in General Marion's Brigade of militia in the year 1781 and 1782 for the term of at least six months that he was then acquainted with him and that he saw him in the corps in actual service.

Sworn to before me this 2nd day of April 1834

S/ Albert Strobel, X his mark

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State of South Carolina Charleston District

Nicholas Cobia a native born citizen of South Carolina, being duly sworn deposes and saith that, he is acquainted with Mr. Christian Rumph, that this deponent who is now in his seventy-six year of his age, certifies that Mr. Christian Rumph served in the Army during the Revolution, under the command of General Marion in the State of South Carolina; that this deponent served also in the Army during the revolution, and knew of his own knowledge that Mr. Christian Rumph rendered the services required of him as a soldier, during the revolution and that the aforesaid Christian Rumph he believes to be about 68 years old --

Certified and sworn to before me this 31st day of January 1835.

S/ Philip Patrick, Notary public

S/ Nicholas Cobia

[fn p. 7: Bible record]

Christian Rumph was born April 7th 17 [last 2 digits illegible] and was Married to Elizabeth his wife May 16th 1792

Children's ages

Caleb Rumph was born May 2nd 1793

Thomas Rumph was born October 23rd 1794

Abraham Rumph was born March 8th 1796

Christian Rumph was born March 29th 1798

Mary Rumph was born June 2nd 1801

Susannah Rumph was born August 6th 1803

George Rumph was born October 12 1805

Elizabeth Rumph was born March night 180 [last digit illegible]

Mary Ann Rumph was born December 18th 1810

Joh [?] Rumph was born August 31st 1813

Robert Jan Rumph August 5 1816

John Rumph was born the February [illegible] 1819

Sarah Rumph was born November 11 1825

George Rumph was born November 3 1827

Mary Ann Elizabeth Rumph was born August 2, 1829

[fn p. 9: on June 6, 1839 in Charleston district South Carolina Elizabeth Rumph, 69, a resident of Saint George's Perry's Colleton District South Carolina filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Christian Rumph; that she married him May 16, 1792; that her husband died in 1835; and that she remains his widow.]