

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Carter W3940

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County of Stokes SS State of North Carolina

On this thirteenth day of March 1829 personally appeared in open Court the same being a Court of record by keeping a record of its proceedings and possessing unlimited jurisdiction in point of amount, Henry Carter aged sixty seven years, resident in the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by an act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 that he the said Henry Carter enlisted for the term of 18 months in the revolutionary war in Sept 1779 as well as he now recollects in Albemarle county Va enlisted by John Marks Capt in the 2nd Virginia regiment commanded by Col. Haws [sic: Samuel Hawes] and after the resignation of Capt Marks was commanded by Capt John Anderson in the line of the state of Virginia on the continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said corps for the said term of 18 months as above stated when he was discharged duly from the said service at Salisbury N Carolina by Majr Jones as well as he recollects when he received a written discharge which has been lost, that he was in the battles at Guilford C House [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781], Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill SC, 25 Apr 1781] and the Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781] and Ninety Six [Siege of Ninety Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] and that he has the certificates of two respectable revolutionary soldiers to prove his service who are Case Bullin & Daniel Burchel [pension application S39261] herewith enclosed. That he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any state and that the reason for not applying sooner for a pension is that as long as he could do without he was unwilling to apply but now old and infirm he cannot get his living by his own labour And in pursuance of the act of May 1st 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land or naval service of the U States in the revolutionary war passed on the 18 day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

One mare. \$20

One colt. 10

Six head of Cattle. . . 20

Six head of sheep. . . 6

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Henry Carter

My occupation is a farmer without ability to pursue it I have a wife and one daughter living with me both unable to get their living I had in my possession on the 18 March 1818 and not now owned by me a tract of land which I sold for \$400 to my sons George W. Carter and Anderson and Winston Carter George is in Illinois and Anderson in Virginia authenticated copies of the deeds are herewith forwarded which will prove the time of the sale of the land the proceeds of which went to discharge debts I was then owing them

Henry Carter

NOTES:

A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Henry Carter/ age 18/ height 5 6½/ farmer/ born in Spotsylvania/ residing in Albemarle County/ light-brown hair/ gray eyes/swarthy complexion/ enlisted 18 Sep 1780 for 18 months.

On 9 June 1843 Sary Carter applied for a pension stating that she married Henry Carter in Dec 1785, and he died 28 Feb 1843. With her application is a copy of the family record made by Henry Carter, certified by son John Carter, and transcribed below. There is also a copy of a bond signed on 13 Dec 1785 in Albemarle County by Henry Carter and Jesse White for the marriage of Carter to Sarah White. A document dated 5 Oct 1844 indicates that George W. Carter was guardian of Sarah Carter, and a document dated 11 Mar 1846 shows that Anderson Carter was her guardian.

John Carter was born 8th October 1786

Elizabeth Carter was born December 28th 1788

Polly Carter was born November 9th 1790

Nancy Carter was born March 21st 1794

Winston Carter was born February 15th 1798

Anderson Carter was born April 6th 1801

George Washington Carter was born July 5th 1804