

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel White W4101

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State of North Carolina Cabarrus County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

On this 20th day of July A.D. 1852 -- personally appeared in open Court, before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions in and for the County and State aforesaid, James White a resident of said County and State, aged fifty-five years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions made by the various acts of Congress passed June 7th 1832 -- July 4th 1836 -- and July 7th 1838 -- and all other acts applicable to his case -- That he is the son and administrator of the late Samuel White deceased who was a Revolutionary Soldier, and served in the Army of the United States about two years or more, That he has often heard his father Say that he was then and served during the Campaign commonly known as the Snowy Campaign, and that he has heard him telling of other tours in which he was engaged, and other duties and services or rendered his country during the Revolutionary war -- But deponent does not remember the history of his said father's Revolutionary services with sufficient certainty to be sworn there to except as above stated, But that the said Samuel White, deponent's father, did serve long and faithfully in the United States service, during the Revolution, this deponent verily believes,

That for the purpose of aiding deponent in making out the proof of his Father's services, he has procured the certificate of the Comptroller of North Carolina showing. Statements made to deponent's Father, Samuel White, for his Revolutionary Services, which is here with presented and prayed to be taken as part of this declaration --

That the said Samuel White was, at the time of the Revolutionary War a resident of the Rocky River settlement near the Church of that name, then in Mecklenburg, now Cabarrus County, where he lived a number of years after the Revolution, and where he died -- Deponent further states that his Father left no record of his marriage or births of his children, but from the best testimony deponent is able to procure, viz. = from the ages of said Samuel White's children by his wife Easter White, he believes his Father and Mother were married during the year 1778 -- and that said Samuel White died on the 30th day of August 1820 -- leaving surviving him his widow, deponent's mother Easter White, who continued to live the widow of the aforesaid Samuel White until the 23rd day of November 1844 when she also died not having again married since the death of her said husband, Samuel White, leaving surviving her the following named children by her said husband -- viz. = Archibald White born in the month of June 1781 -- Jane

Newell born April 23rd 1784 -- David White born during the year 1787 -- Easter Newell aged about sixty years, Samuel D. White aged about fifty-eight years, and deponent James White aged fifty-five years -- who are the only surviving children of the aforesaid Samuel and Easter White,

That deponent makes this declaration for the purpose of enabling the heirs of the above said Samuel and Easter White to recover from the United States whatever may be due, in right of said Samuel White & Easter White for the Revolutionary Services of the said Samuel -- and that for the purpose of investigating and prosecuting said claim I hereby constitute and appoint Wm F. Davidson of Charlotte NC my true and lawful agent and Attorney to do whatever I might do were personally present to establish my claim.

Signed acknowledged and sworn to in open court

S. L. B. Krimminger, Clk

S/ James White

[fn p. 7: on September 8, 1852, in Cabarrus County, Elizabeth Erwin, 85 gave testimony as to the services of Samuel White during the revolution; his marriage to Easter; they are living together as man and wife; and that their oldest son Archibald White was born in 1781 which she remembers because she had a sister whose name is Mary Miller who was born in the same year as Archibald White.]

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State of North Carolina Cabarrus County: On this 27th day of August A.D. 1852 personally appeared before me L. C. Kirkpatrick an acting Justice of the peace for said County John McEachern, James McEachern, Margaret St. White, Joseph Howell, H. B. Taylor, D. B. McKinly, R. Kirkpatrick, Andrew Walker, Joshua Harris & James White after being duly sworn deposes and saith that we lived in bounds of the Rocky River congregation and have known Samuel White & his wife Esther [sic] for many years and they were always reputed to have been man and wife and legally married and raised a large family of children -- were consistent members of the church, and were very much respected in their neighborhood.

We further certify that Samuel White was reputed and believed by the whole community to have been a brave Soldier of the Revolutionary war -- and we believe the Samuel White whose name appears on the Comptroller's Office books is the identical above mentioned.

And we further certify that present applicant James, is the reputed son of the said Samuel & Esther White.

Andrew Walker one of the affiant further states that Archibald White was the oldest son of Samuel & Esther White & believes his age to be seventy-one years old and the other affiants do certify that they were acquainted with the said Archibald White for many years and believe him to be about the age of state.

Joseph Howell, John McEachern & A. Walker certify that they have mustered in the same company with the said Archibald White being near his age & they have been mustered over thirty years.

Mrs. Jane McEachern one of the above affiants aged sixty-seven years says that she heard Samuel White relate due her father incidents which he witnessed in the revolutionary war among the rest was that he was in a campaign called the Snow he Campaign that they suffered for want of provisions, the cold was so severe that they had to wrap their feet with their Blankets -- Margaret H. White one of the above affiants aged fifty-eight says she heard Samuel White state the same facts set forth by Mrs. McEachern.

James White Senior one of the above affiants aged fifty-eight years says he heard his

mother say that old Archibald White's sons to wit Samuel, Archibald & Joseph took an act of part in the American Revolution.

Given under our hands this 27th day of August 1852

S/ R. Kirkpatrick

S/ David B. McKinley

S/ James White

S/ John McEachern

S/ A. Walker

S/ Joseph Howell, X his mark

S/ Joshua Harris

S/ HB Taylor

S/Jane McEachern, X her mark

S/ Margaret H. White, X her mark

S/ L. C. Kirkpatrick, JP

[fn p. 25: Victor C. Barringer, a native of Cabarrus County North Carolina gave a supporting affidavit relating what he heard his father say about the services of Samuel White during the revolution; and that he heard a Mr. Farr give similar accounts.]

[fn p. 50: certificate dated July 6th, 1852, from the North Carolina Comptroller's Office listing payments made to a man by the name of Samuel White during the time of the revolution.]

[fn p. 55: On May 11, 1853 in Union County North Carolina, Thomas Winchester, 76, testified that he lived in the Rocky River congregation in Mecklenburg County, now Cabarrus County until he was about 18 years old; that he was acquainted with Samuel White and all his brothers; that he was acquainted with Easter, whose maiden name was Easter McKinly, prior to her marriage to Samuel White; that he was acquainted with James White, a son of Samuel & Easter White.]

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State of North Carolina Cabarrus County

On this 30 day of May A.D. 1853 personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Colonel James White, of the County of Cabarrus in the State of North Carolina aged fifty-eight years who being first duly sworn according to law says that he is the son of Samuel and Easter White in whose right he is now applying for a pension. That he has neither record no documentary evidence of the date of his said Father & Mother's marriage nor can any such evidence be procured, that deponent has searched every place he thought it likely to procure any such testimony and has failed. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before me.

S/ James White

S/ A. J. York, JP