

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Dameron (Dameron Damron)¹ W4173 Polly Dameron f55GA
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State of Georgia, Jackson County

On this seventh day of January 1845, personally appeared before the subscribing Justices of the Inferior Court for the Court & State aforesaid, in open Court, Polly Dameron a resident of Jackson County Georgia aged Eighty years, 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 July 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows:" That she is the widow of Charles Damron [sic] who was an Invalid pensioner, on the Georgia Pension Roll, at the rate of five dollars per month, under the act of September 29th, 1789, and whose pension was increased to eight dollars per month, under the act of April 24th, 1816. That her husband Charles Damron was a private in the war of the Revolution and served in Captain Lane's Company of Regulars (or Continentals) in the Second Regiment, and was a citizen (to the best of her recollection) of the County of Albemarle State of Virginia when he entered the service. That he came in the Army to Georgia and was in various Battles against the British, as she has heard her husband say, but that she cannot recollect her husband's sayings so as to speak distinctly of any particular battle except one, that was on Briar Creek Georgia at which time he was under Major Fennell in Colonel Elbert's [Samuel Elbert's] Regiment and was there wounded – having been in service, according to her recollection of his statements more than four years, she does not recollect that she ever heard her husband state at what time he entered the Army – or the precise time that he left the Service – and that she has no other documentary or written evidence in support of the claim, then some papers upon which her husband's pension, as an invalid was allowed. She further declares that she was married to the said Charles Damron on the 20th day of May 1788, that her husband the aforesaid Charles Damron died on the seventh day of October 1827. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794 viz.: at the time above stated, in the County of Richmond (since Columbia) Georgia. That she has no record of her marriage and knows of no person now living by whom she can prove an actual marriage except William Mays of Harris County Georgia.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before.

S/ Middleton Witt, JIC

S/ Polly Damron [sic], X her mark

S/ N. C. Jarrett, JIC

S/ Robert Espy, JIC

[p 7: There is a copy of a marriage bond issued in Richmond County, GA to Charles Dameron and Peter Culbreath conditioned upon the marriage of Charles Dameron to Mary Maise. The bond is dated 19th May 1789.]

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[p 9: Affidavit dated December 23, 1844 given in Bibb County Georgia by George W Moore, 69, in which he states that he, affiant, move from Virginia to Columbia County Georgia (formerly Richmond County) in 1796 where he became acquainted with Charles Damron and his wife Polly; that affiant lived a near neighbor to them for several years then moved to Jackson County Georgia then to Clark County Georgia; that affiant was well acquainted with Charles Damron in Jackson County Georgia till the death of Charles Damron; that they lived together as man and wife and had 3 children the oldest of home was 6 or 7 years old drew the pension due Charles Damron for 2 years and paid it over to the veteran.]

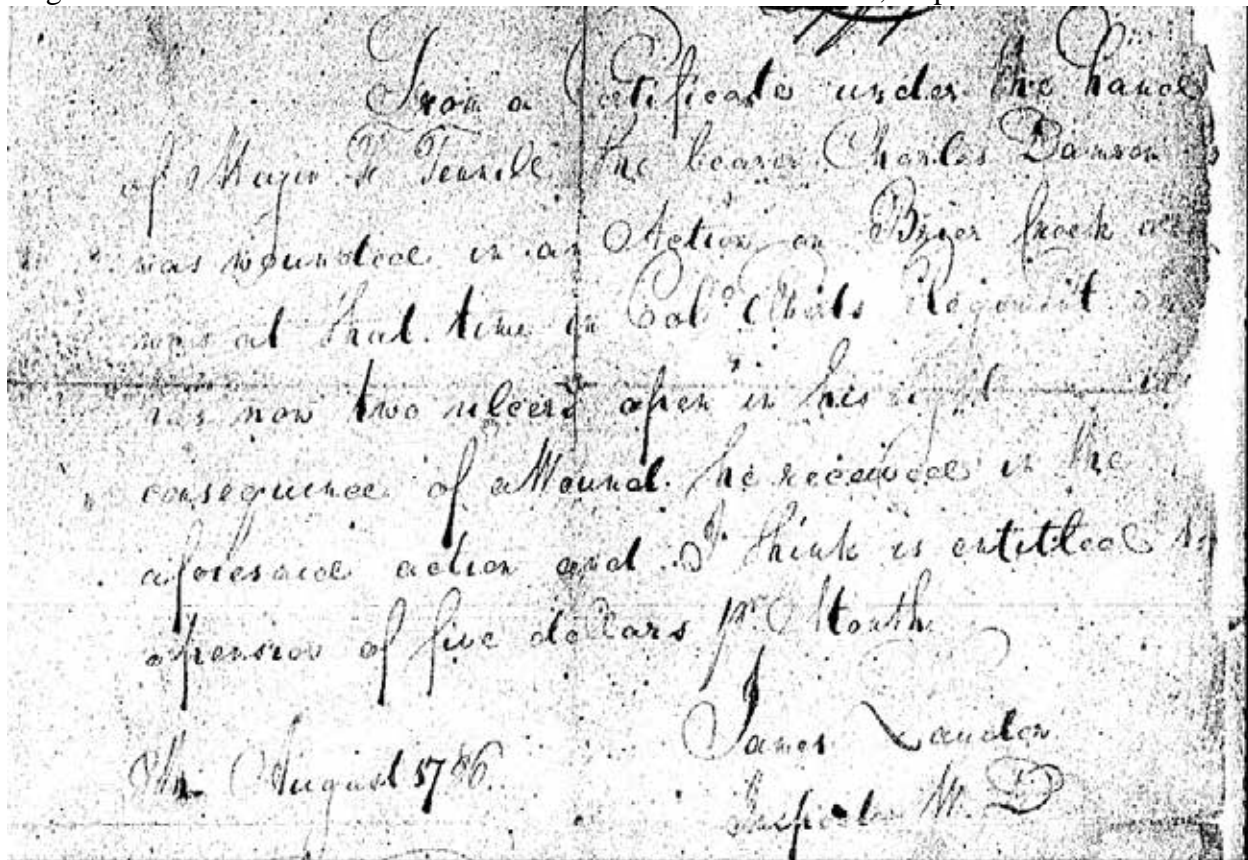
[p 13: On March 16, 1855, in Jackson County Georgia, Polly Dameron, aged about 90, made application for the bounty land due her as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner. She signed this document with her mark.]

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August 1786

S/ James Lander, Inspector W. D.



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Charles Dameron [sic] came before me one of the Justices for the County of Richmond in the State of Georgia and made oath that he is the same Charles Dameron to whom the original Certificate in his possession was given of which the following is a Copy. From a Certificate under the hand of Major F. Terrell the barrel Charles Dameron was wounded in and Action on Briar Creek and was at that time on

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S/ James Lander, J. Invalids

That he served in the 2nd Regiment of Continental Troops at the time he was disabled, and that he now resides in the State of Georgia and County of Richmond and has resided there for upwards of four years past previous to which he resided in the State of Virginia.

Sworn to & Subscribed before me this 19th Day of May 1804

S/ John Wright, JP

S/ Charles Damron, D his mark

[p 36: On December 19, 1844 in Harris County Georgia, William Mays, 64, gave testimony that he was well acquainted with Charles Damron late of Jackson County deceased and his wife (now widow) Polly Damron formally Polly Mays; that affiant was at the marriage of Charles and Polly; that the marriage was solemnized by John Foster, JP in Columbia formerly Richmond County Georgia. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing September 4, 1847 for her husband service as a private in the Virginia Continental line for 2 years.]